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JAPANESE PUSH MEETS FAILURE

Veteran Menshevik Dying

PARIS, TO-DAY.

KERENSKY, WHO HEADED THE FIRST PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AFTER THE FALL OF CZARDOM IN RUSSIA, IS DYING.

Alexander Feodorowitch Keren-sky is 58 and has lived in Paris in exile for many years. The nature of his illness is not disclosed.

Kerensky, as a Menshevik and socialist, was an opponent of the Czarist regime and was later the last opponent of the Bolshevik revolution during his term of office from July to October, 1917.

ALOOF FROM POLITICS

After the collapse of the Czarist regime, Kerensky tried to rally Russia against the German invaders.

He was overthrown, however, and went to France. For some time he lived in London, where he wrote his Memoirs, and then took up permanent residence in Paris.

He has kept aloof from politics but has been active in literature. He never formed a close association with White Russian circles in Paris, as the latter are chiefly ex-Czars officers. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY GETS WORRIED

London, To-day.

A report from Istanbul states that Herr von Papen, the new German Ambassador to Turkey, is returning to Berlin.

According to this report, he is to report to Hitler on the situation following the conclusion of the Anglo-Turkish agreement and its possible effects on future German-Turkish relations. — Reuter.

CONSCRIPTION IN SPAIN

Burgos, To-day.

The Spanish Cabinet has approved a law imposing compulsory service on all males between the ages of 18 and 50 "for national reconstruction." — Reuter.

Hupei Fighting Swings In Favour Of The Chinese

Chungking, To-day.

Since reports from the front are contradictory, the war situation in Central China remains obscure.

Observers believe prophesying to be premature, as there is no indication as to eventual developments.

Protracted Chinese resistance along the Han River front for many months has frustrated Japanese endeavours to gain firmer control of the Hankow-Ichang highway. At present the Japanese are trying to cut off the Chinese rear and to strike at isolated troops.

It is stressed here that this manoeuvre has not succeeded.

The Japanese, starting from Suihien, north-west of Hankow, advanced westward to the Han River, and now are proceeding north and south along the eastern bank of the river.

The northern column is trying to reach Hsiangyang.

It is impossible to say how far the southern column has progressed, but the report that the Chinese have recaptured Wamiaochi, on the Hankow-Ichang highway, seems to indicate indirectly that the Japanese have not succeeded in controlling the highway.

LITTLE LIKELIHOOD

Another Japanese column is advancing from south Honan towards Tunpenhsien, along the Honan-Hupei border, and is evidently trying to join hands with the other Japanese column advancing northwards from Suihsin.

Only if this move succeeds will the Chinese forces operating in the Hsiangyang-Yinshan-Suishan area be cut off, and there seems to be no likelihood of this.

Still another Japanese column is pushing on Hsiangyang via Hsiangyeh, half way between Hsiangyang and Nanyang, the Honan capital.

Fighting is now going on 10 kilometres east of Hsiangyeh.

STIFF RESISTANCE

Chinese circles say the Japanese plan is to split the Chinese forces into two groups, one around Hsiangyang and the other at Kingshan, and at the same time to capture Hsiangyang, which is the base of Chinese operations.

The Chinese are fighting determinedly in the face of the formidable threat.

Evidence of the Japanese aim is afforded by their large-scale bombing of the above-mentioned areas, with what result is not yet known.

The Chinese again deny having suffered large losses, as claimed in Japanese broadcasts. — Trans-Ocean.

SAYS TOKYO!

Washington, To-day.
The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced yesterday that in reply to the recent protest by the United States Ambassador in Tokyo, Japan has promised that her airmen would exercise all possible precautions to avoid injuring non-combatants. — Reuter.

KING VICTOR TO VISIT GERMAN CAPITAL

London, To-day.

The Rome correspondent of the "News Chronicle" learns authoritatively that King Victor Emmanuel will pay a State visit to Berlin after signature of the Italo-German Pact of alliance.

Exact date has not been fixed, but it is thought the visit will take place possibly at the end of next week.

The King's visit will be an occasion to reinforce the Axis, and it is expected that elaborate festivities will be held in honour of the Italian Sovereign. — Reuter.

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SAGRES SEIZURE: REPLY STILL BEING AWAITED

London, To-day.

A statement was asked in the House of Commons yesterday by Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative, Kidderminster) regarding seizure by the Japanese of the Williamson ship Sagres.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied that the Government was awaiting a reply to representations made to the Japanese.

Mr. Butler replied in the affirmative when asked whether the ship was still under Japanese control.

Asked whether it was not possible to take steps to secure its release, Mr. Butler said: I will certainly investigate. — Reuter.

Motor Drive To White House

Official plans for the five days' visit of the King and Queen to the United States, which begins on June 7, have been announced.

Contrary to expectations, their Majesties will pay an official visit to New York City before going to the World's Fair. It had been thought that they would not approach nearer the city than the Fair on Long Island.

For the two previous days their Majesties will have been the guests of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt at White House.

The fact that the King will be making his journey to the United States from the Dominion of Canada is emphasised by the decision that the Minister-in-Attendance will be the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King.

The official announcement is as follows:

"On the invitation of the President, the King and Queen will pay an official visit to the United States from June 7 to June 11, during which period their Majesties will be the guests of the United States Government.

"Details of the visit have still to be settled, but the following programme gives their Majesties' engagements.

EMBASSY GARDEN PARTY

"Wednesday, June 7: Their Majesties will enter the United States from Canada at Niagara Falls, New York State, late in the evening, where they will be received by an official reception committee and proceed by train direct to Washington.

"Thursday, June 8: Their Majesties will arrive at about 11 a.m. at the Union Station, Washington, where they will be met by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. The King and Queen and the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, with their respective suites, will motor in a procession to the White House, where the heads of missions of the Diplomatic Corps will subsequently be received.

"After lunching privately at the White House their Majesties will attend a garden party at the British Embassy in the afternoon. In the evening a State dinner, followed by a reception, will be given at the White House.

RIVER TRIP

"Friday, June 9: In the morning their Majesties, accompanied by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, will proceed to Mount Vernon by water on board the United States ship Potomac, lunching on route. After luncheon the King will lay a wreath on the tomb of George Washington.

"On leaving Mount Vernon the party will proceed by motor to Arlington Cemetery, where the King will lay a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Their Majesties and the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will thereafter return to the White House.

"In the evening the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will be the guests of their Majesties at dinner at the British Embassy. After dinner their Majesties will leave

MACAO-CANTON SERVICE

Macao, To-day.

It is reliably learned that negotiations between the local and Japanese authorities in Canton for resuming shipping between this port and Canton have successfully concluded.

The first ship to sail from this port to Canton will leave on Thursday, but no passengers will be carried as the trip will be of an experimental nature. Mail will be conveyed.

The vessel is the s.s. Shing-chong, which prior to the Japanese occupation of Canton plied between the Portuguese Colony and the former Kwangtung capital.

The boat will return to Macao on Tuesday next, following which it will make weekly trips to Canton. — Our Own Correspondent.

SHANGHAI TENSE

Shanghai, To-day.

The situation is very tense. Japanese officers are touring the city registering all firms, dwellings and organisations flying the Chinese national flag.

Armoured cars are patrolling the French Concession day and night. — Our Own Correspondent.

for New York by train.

"June 10: Their Majesties will pay an official visit to New York City, and thereafter will visit the New York World's Fair. In the afternoon they will proceed by motor to Hyde Park, where they will spend the night. Details for this day's programme have not yet been determined.

RETURN BY TRAIN

"June 11: Their Majesties will spend the day quietly at Hyde Park, proceeding by train to Canada in the evening.

"During the visit to the United States of America the Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada and Secretary of State for External Affairs, will act as Minister in Attendance on the King."

The length of the drive which the King and Queen will make from the railway station in Washington to the White House is just under two miles.

The Arlington National Cemetery lies across the river from Washington. It contains the graves of 21,106 soldiers killed in the Civil War and the war with Spain, and of 5,140 killed in the Great War, including that of the American Unknown Soldier.

Hyde Park, where the King and Queen will spend the night of June 10, is the President's country residence on the Hudson River in New York State. It belongs to Mr. Roosevelt's mother.

Chinese Planes Over Canton Outskirts

MACAO, TO-DAY.

THREE CHINESE PLANES APPEARED OVER THE OUTSKIRTS OF CANTON YESTERDAY, BUT NO BOMBS WERE DROPPED. JAPANESE ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES WENT INTO ACTION AND FIRED AWAY FOR OVER HALF AN HOUR WITHOUT SUCCESS.

The Chinese planes cruised at a great height with anti-aircraft shells bursting around them. It is believed that the squadron was on a scouting mission apparently for the purpose of observing the Japanese military movements around Canton.

The planes returned northwards to their base, which is reported to be in north Kwangtung near the Canton-Hankow Railway Line.

CANTON SHOOTING

Martial law was again declared for a few hours by the Japanese yesterday following a burst of rifle fire in the heart of the city, where Chinese guerillas were reported hidden.

A company of Japanese troops threw a cordon around the area but the Chinese escaped after exchanging fire for about 20 minutes with the Japanese troops.

Several Chinese residing in the neighbourhood have been arrested under suspicion of having assisted the guerillas to escape.

CHINESE CLAIM SUNWUI

Yungyun, a small but important town off the Canton-Hankow line in northern Kwangtung, was heavily bombed by the Japanese during the week-end, three raids being carried out on Sunday.

Eleven persons were killed and a greater number wounded. Some 50 houses were reduced to ruins by the 100 odd bombs dropped.

The Chinese claim to be still in occupation of Sunwui which was retaken during the week-end, and fighting is reported between Sunwui and Kongmoon. — Our Own Correspondent.

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War Strength Of The European Powers Compared

Anonymous Author And Soviet

"The Military Strength of the Powers" (Gollancz. 7/6), by an anonymous author, is published at a moment when many readers are likely to turn to its pages for guidance.

It is a remarkable book. Its figures appear to be fairly accurate, so far as they are known, and the opinions expressed are supported by a wealth of documentation from the Press and other military writers in a number of countries.

I should not be unfair to him if I said that the author's main thesis is the invincibility and efficiency of the Russian army. His facts and figures are impressive. No one can doubt its enormous numbers or its formidable industrial backing:

"In this huge area — Eastern Europe—mobile warfare can develop with the support of Russia, the Soviet Union, has the strongest war potential, the most mobile army and the most powerful offensive weapons."

RUSSIA'S 10,000 TANKS

Russia has apparently at least 10,000 tanks, and the author quotes the "Wehrmacht," a German military organ, as saying that the strength of the Russian Air Force in 1937 must have been not less than 15,000 to 17,000 machines. The author then adds:

European military experts are of the opinion that the Red Air Force is by far the strongest in the world, not only numerically, but also in the matter of quality. Numbers and first-class technique complement each other in the Red Air Force, and the Soviet air industry is served by absolutely modern and progressive scientific laboratory work.

He quotes the German expert, Colonel von Bulow, also to this effect.

The author discusses the position of "Poland between two camps." He gives accurate figures of her mobilised strength, but remarks that she is weak on the munitions side. Her doctrine is offence at all costs, and her large forces of cavalry indicates her preference. Now that the die is cast, and she

has joined the pact against aggression, she, with her 60 or 70 divisions, can give the collective security forces in the East an overwhelming military superiority.

Of the German army the author speaks with great respect, and suggests that it could ultimately mobilise no fewer than 300 divisions, though he admits that 200 of these would not be composed of first-line troops, and he seems to doubt whether equipment would be available for them. He emphasises the immense number of tanks, 7,000, and the boldness of their tank doctrine, which contemplates their employment in great masses.

Her air arm is no less powerful, the aim being to create by 1939-40 no fewer than 8,000 to 10,000 machines. He believes, however, that once again she will meet her fate, by the war on two fronts which was her undoing in 1914.

The book devotes rather less space to the French army, but draws attention to the enormous defensive power of the Maginot Line. The author thinks, however, that her force is unduly weak and her tank force hardly sufficient to meet the Germans.

BRITISH REARMAMENT

He deals fully with British rearmament, as well as Italian difficulties. He says:

With French naval support the British Mediterranean Fleet would

CHINESE REFUTE JAP. CLAIMS

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

JAPANESE CLAIMS THAT OVER 20 CHINESE DIVISIONS ARE TRAPPED IN HUPEH AND ARE THREATENED WITH ANNIHILATION, ARE DECLARED TO BE ENTIRELY GROUNDLESS BY THE MILITARY SPOKESMAN.

The spokesman says the expansive area and difficult terrain belies the claims of the Japanese, who have too few troops to surround the large Chinese force.

Actually the Japanese have suffered considerable losses in Hupeh. Their right wing lost 1,000 killed and the division in the centre was decimated, while the Horiuchi detachment on the left wing was effectively checked and its Chief of Staff killed. — Reuter.

£28,000 SPENT ON BURMA-CHINA ROAD

London, To-day.

Rather less than £28,000 has been expended on improvements to the Burma-China road, declared Lt.-Col. Muirhead, Under-Secretary for Burma, in the House of Commons yesterday.

No contribution to this sum, he added, had been made from any source outside Burma.

Asked whether the Government would give serious consideration to the defence of Burma against unauthorised Chinese immigration, Lt.-Col. Muirhead said that while these fears would unnecessarily arise, the permanent consequences of the road were recognised as being important. — Reuter.

MOST CONVENIENT PLACE

London, To-day.

The Ambassador finds Shanghai the most convenient place with which to maintain touch with British interests, declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler had been asked where Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr's permanent headquarters were.

From Shanghai, said Mr. Butler, the Ambassador could make necessary periodical visits to the headquarters of the Chinese Government and other places such as Peiping, where branch officers were maintained. — Reuter.

be in a position to establish an effective blockade of Italy, and at the same time practically destroy her colonial empire.

The author quotes "Deutschwehr" as saying, "frankly and realistically."

"Great Britain's sea power could cut off her East African colonies and leave them and her colonial army to an uncertain fate."

The book concludes with a chapter on Japan, the United States of America, and the Pacific.

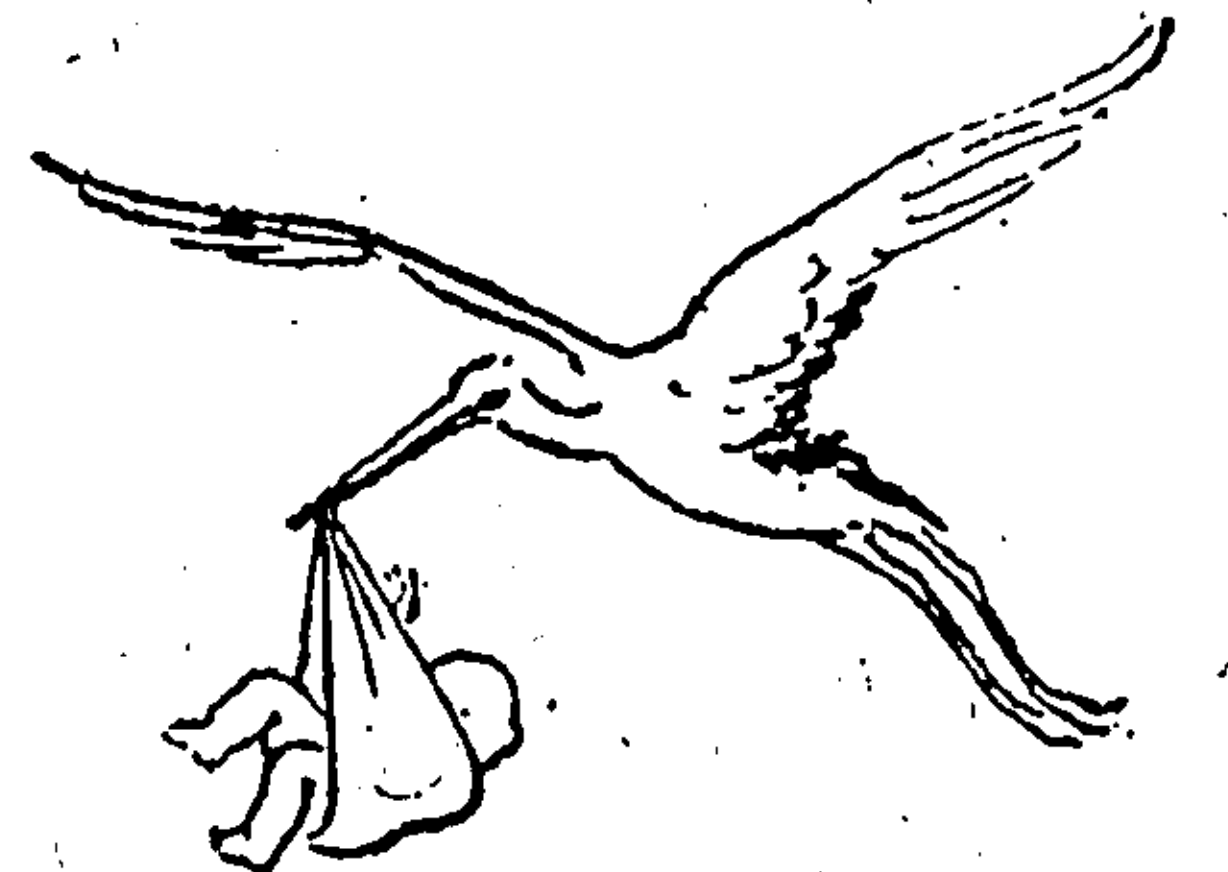
GOVERNMENT GIVES WAY TO LABOUR

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A LABOUR AMENDMENT TO THE MILITARY TRAINING BILL WAS ACCEPTED IN THE COMMITTEE STAGE OF THE MEASURE BY THE GOVERNMENT YESTERDAY.

The amendment provides that employers' liability to pay a maximum of four weeks salary if they do not reinstate men returning from military service, should be extended to 12 weeks salary.

Mr. A. T. Lennox-Boyd, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, announced that the Government intended to arrange that militiamen returning from military service and not obtaining work would receive unemployment benefit. — Reuter.



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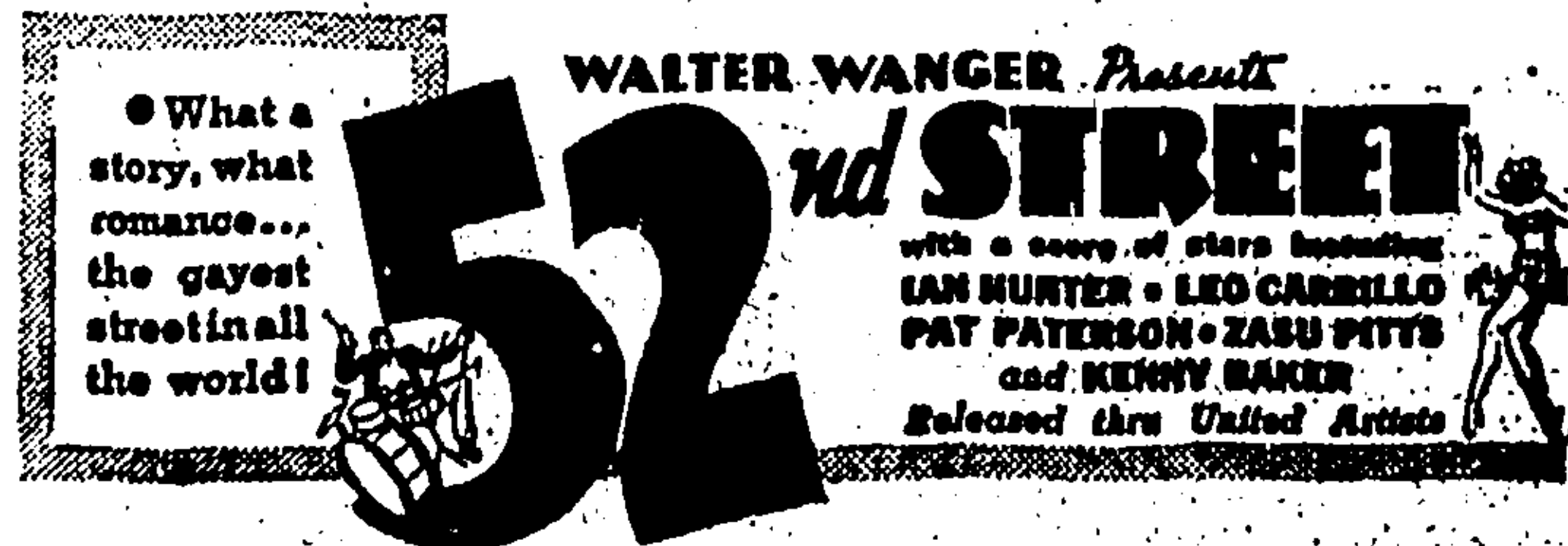
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Mr. Tan Wui, of Messrs. Jardine,
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behalf of the many citizens involv-
ed.In a short speech Mr. Tan praised
the crew of the warship for the
efficient way in which they had res-
cued so many people and thanked
the sailors for their kindness in
finding dry clothes and supplying
hot tea to the refugees.In reply, Lieut.-Commander G. H.
de Chair, captain of the Thracian,
said that he was happy to have
been present to render the neces-
sary assistance, which he consid-
ered part of the day's work and noth-
ing extraordinary.The flag was hoisted at the peak
to the accompaniment of cracker-
firing.Hand-made, of blue silk, with a
yellow border, the flag is eight feet
long, and bears an inscription in
English and Chinese, with the date
of the rescue.—Reuter.**CONSTABLE ON
ASSAULT CHARGE**Three Chinese constables, C.552,
of Mongkok, C.713, of Water Police,
and C.530, of Mongkok, this morn-
ing appeared before Mr. E. Hims-
worth at Kowloon when summoned
for assaulting Chan Chi-fan, of No.**FRANCO-POLISH
STAFF TALKS
IN PARIS**

Paris, To-day.

Although the visit of the Polish
War Minister, General Kasprzycki,
to Paris has been officially described
as of private nature, the paper
"Paris Soir" emphasises that the
General has come here at least in a
semi-official capacity.This, according to the paper, was
clearly shown by the fact that Gen-
eral Gamelin personally welcomed
the Polish guest on his arrival at
the railway station. General Kas-
przycki will stay here three or four
days at the Polish Embassy where
a luncheon in his honour will be
given at which leading French per-
sonalities will be present.The "Paris Soir" states that the
General's visit will serve the pur-
pose of re-establishing direct con-
tact between the General Staffs of
the two countries, and recalls that
the last consultations of this kind
took place in August and Septem-
ber, 1936.The paper relates that before
leaving Warsaw, General Kas-
przycki had a conversation with
the Polish Commander in Chief,
Marshal Rydz-Smigly, and that dur-
ing his stay in Paris he will dis-
cuss the possibility of increased
importation by Poland of the most
up to date French war material as
well as questions connected with
military cooperation between
France, England and Poland. —
Trans-Ocean.25, Argyle Street, on April 25 at
Nathan Theatre.Assistant Crown Counsel, Mr.
J. B. Prentis, appeared for the de-
fence and pleaded not guilty, and
Mr. C. A. S. Russ for the prosecu-
tion, while Inspector T. Whelan, in
charge of Mongkok Police Station,
was present for the police.
The case is proceeding.**"POT HUNTING."**—Master Peter Green, aged 13, of Gunthorpe,
Notts, together with his brother and sister have won over 400 prizes,
including 84 silver cups, for horse shows and gymkhanas and are
now preparing for yet another season. Photo shows Master Peter
Green with part of his share of the huge collection of cups.

Briton's Close Shave In Wanton Bombing of Wenchow

"Wanton destruction of human life and property in an undefended town" is the description given to the "China Mail" by an officer on a British coastal vessel in an exclusive eye-witness account this morning of the bombing of Wenchow recently.

After witnessing the bombing at close range, he said there were times when a sailor envied those with "nice office jobs in safe Hong Kong!" He continued:—

"We were anchored in the river opposite Wenchow City when the air-raid alarm went off at about 3.30 p.m. As we watched, a Japanese sea-plane approached, very low and as it flashed past our bridge we could see the machine carried four bombs.

"He flew low over the city, which was obviously undefended, for he could have been shot down with ease by machine-guns. He then made bombing altitude and released his bombs, one after the other. After viewing the havoc he had created, he flew off.

"The next day was a fine, clear day, ideal for a bombing raid. This time, three 'planes were used, the air-raid alarm being sounded at 11.30 a.m. At first, the 'planes circled over the city and dropped a few bombs some distance away from us. Then a 'plane flew overhead and I saw a bomb dropped almost directly over us.

NARROW ESCAPE

"It looked at first as though we were going to be hit! There was a rushing noise, and then a combination of 'crack' and 'crash,' and we saw the bomb land on a sampan lying alongside a Portuguese motor-boat. The bomb blew the sampan to pieces and smashed in the side of the motor-boat. The captain of the Portuguese craft was wounded and six men were killed. Another bomb landed abreast of another British steamer just ahead of us, one fragment actually entering her saloon and another slightly wounding a Chinese on deck.

"In all, 12 bombs were dropped in the vicinity, demolishing a number of houses close to the waterfront, killing about 200 people and wounding many more.

"Later in the day, the air-raid alarm went off again—and this time there was a general exodus. Our vessel was crowded with refugees, mostly women and children, but including a policeman and some official or other who calmly curled up on our couch in the saloon and went to sleep! Meanwhile, dense crowds poured out into the paddy-fields or made for the opposite bank of the river in crowded sampans.

DIRECT HIT

"A plane soon arrived, but it did not drop any bombs. After circling around, it flew off, peppering a passing junk with machine-gun bullets as it did so.

"The next morning, we set sail.

ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA DECREASING

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE ACTIVITY OF ORGANISED JAPANESE PROPAGANDA AGAINST BRITISH INTERESTS IN THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED DISTRICTS OF CHINA HAS DIMINISHED IN INTENSITY.

This was stated in reply to questions in the House of Commons yesterday by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, who quoted recent reports from the Consul-General in Shanghai.

The Consul-General, he said, had raised the matter with his Japanese colleague in the early part of last month.

The situation, said Mr. Butler, would continue to be watched, and if necessary, representations would be made. — Reuter.

JUNKERS PLANE ARRIVES

The German Junkers plane J.U.52, piloted by Baron von Crablenz, unexpectedly arrived in the Colony from Formosa yesterday at 2 p.m. on the return flight from Japan to Berlin.

The plane will leave to-morrow morning for Hanoi.

As we neared Wenchow Point, we heard guns being fired from the sea and shells dropped here and there, sending up geysers of waters. We saw a junk sailing along about a hundred yards away. One moment, she was sailing peacefully along and the next there was a crack, a flash and she disappeared. The Japanese had scored a direct hit!

"We passed a number of blazing junks as we proceeded out to sea.

"The shelling and bombing of the forts was, of course, quite in order. Indeed, I fancy some far-sighted Chinese military gentlemen of a by gone era constructed these forts with the specific idea of having the enemy waste his shells upon them, for there was no response from the forts to the Japanese shelling.

"One cannot help feeling a deep sympathy with the relatives of the dead in Wenchow City, and also a feeling of furious resentment against the Japanese for the wanton destruction of human life and property in an undefended town."

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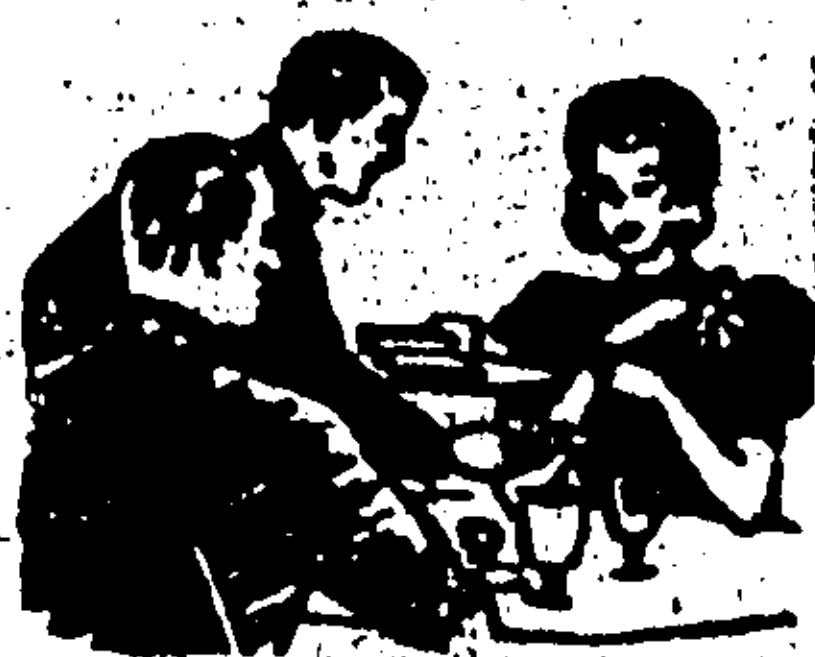
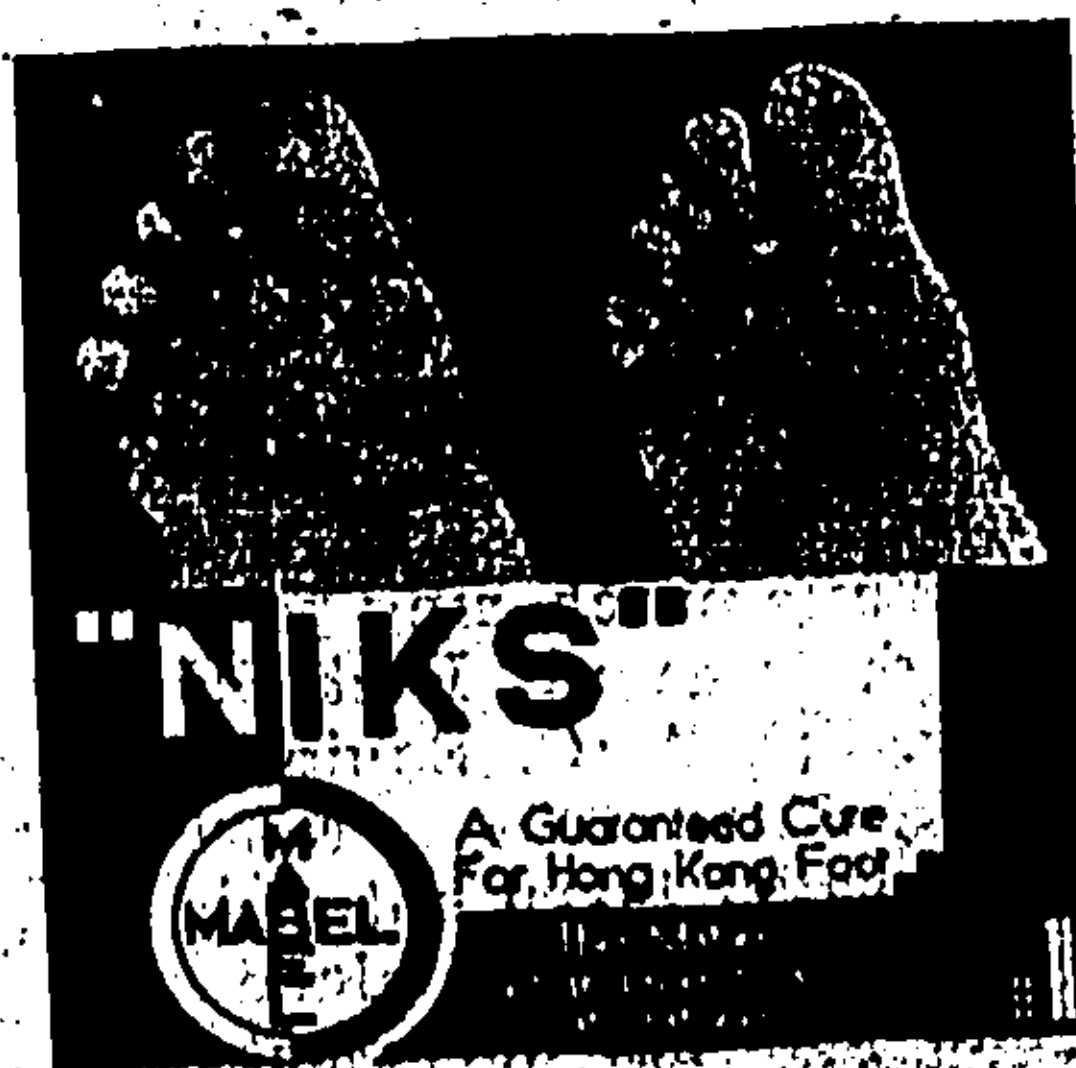
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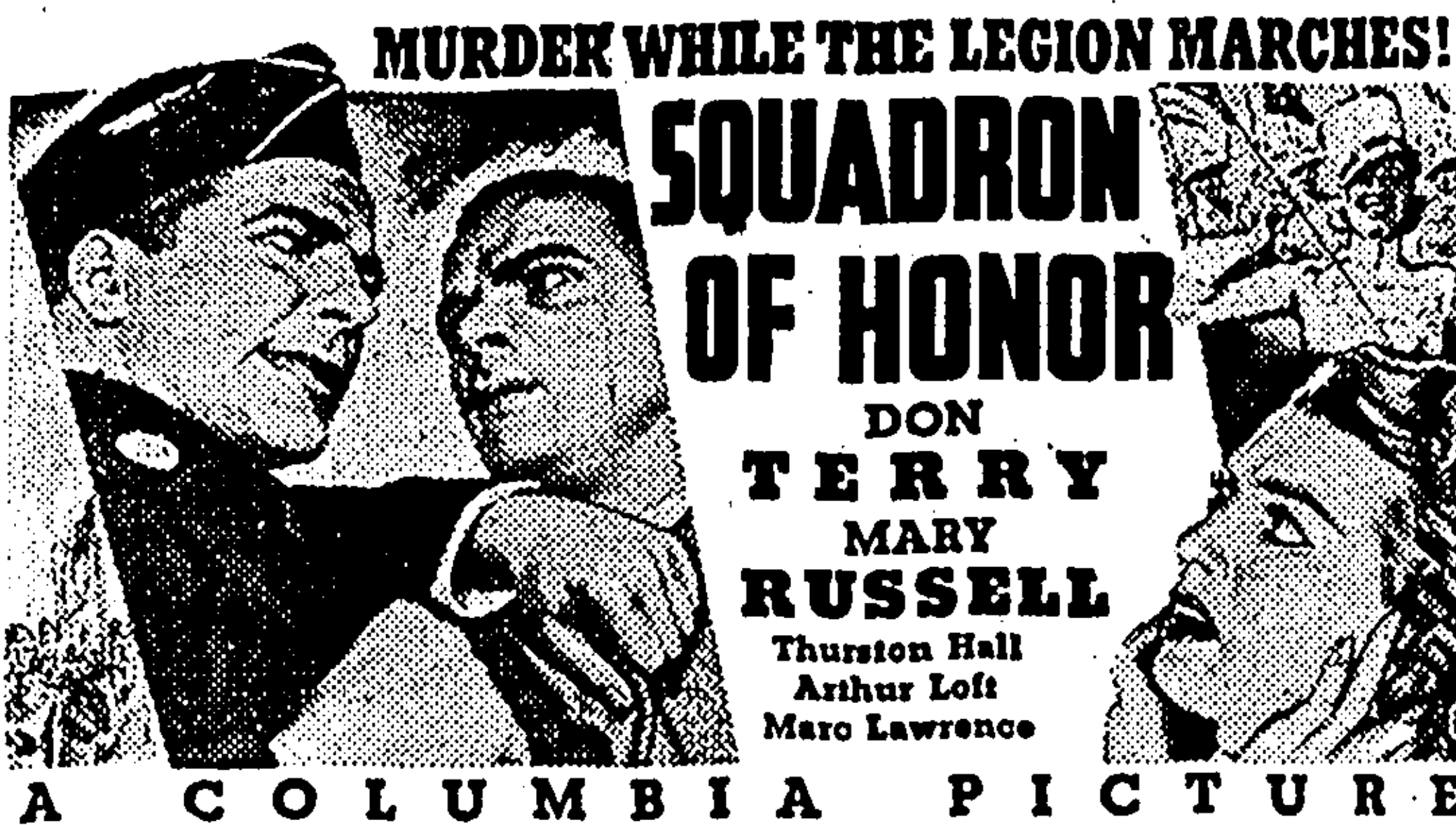
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Another Moan By Signor Gayda: Twixt War & Peace

Rome, To-day.

Mussolini's Turin speech has been followed up by an article by Signor Gayda in "Giornale d'Italia."

In his article, which is headed "Between war and peace," Signor Gayda says that the state of affairs prevailing to-day cannot be described as peace.

He calls it the initial stages of an economic war started by the Anglo-Saxon race.

"Italy wants peace," he says, "but the present state of affairs justifies every doubts as to the possibility of peace."

Signor Gayda enunciates three points, which, he says, should be carried out. They are:

Respect for vital national needs and national honour,

Equality in the possession of means to ensure each nation independence in the field of labour, and

Each nation should have its rightful place in the world.

ATTACK ON CHAMBERLAIN

Signor Gayda attacks the economic supremacy of the "have" nations, and says the general share-out of raw materials is illusory.

He attacks Mr. Chamberlain and the French Premier, M. Daladier, for their recent utterances, which, he says, were concerned with aggression.

Signor Gayda concludes with a final moan that the Democracies are encircling Germany and Italy. — Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN MILITARY CHANGES

ROME, TO-DAY.

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE POWERS EXERCISED BY THE SUPREME CHIEF OF THE ITALIAN GENERAL STAFF ARE FORESEEN IN A BILL SUBMITTED TO THE ITALIAN CHAMBER YESTERDAY.

At present the Commanders in Chief of the three defence services, army, navy and air force, are subordinate to the Supreme Chief of the Italian General Staff, Marshal Badoglio.

The new bill is designed to define the relation in which the Supreme Chief of the General Staff stands to the Chief of State.

It lays down that the Supreme Chief of the General Staff shall act as technical adviser to the Chief of the Government (Mussolini) both in peace and war time. Moreover the Supreme Chief of the General Staff shall become a member of the Supreme Defence Council with advisory vote as well as a member of every commission set up by the Government to examine questions relating to defence of the realm and affecting two or three of the defence services. — Trans-Ocean.

China's La Libre Belgique

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

THE SINO-JAPANESE WAR HAS PRODUCED A COUNTER-PART TO "LA LIBRE BELGIQUE," THE FAMOUS BELGIAN NEWSPAPER WHICH ELUSIVELY APPEARED DAILY DURING THE GERMAN OCCUPATION OF BELGIUM.

It is the "Nanwei Daily News," which has for its main equipment a mimeograph machine and a radio receiving set, and is published under the very noses of the Japanese authorities in the occupied area of Pootung, across the Whangpoo River from Shanghai.

It contains advertisements, editorials, a literary page featuring novels on patriotic themes and extracts from diaries alleged to have been seized from Japanese soldiers.

The editorial staff is believed to be drawn from the propaganda section of the National Salvation Army, a guerilla force operating around Shanghai.

The paper also publishes foreign news agency reports, obtained by listening to Chinese news broadcasts. It is sold for one cent Chinese money, roughly one-twelfth of an English penny.

TAKING RISKS

On the front page of a copy received in Shanghai was an advertisement by a guerilla chieftan soliciting membership for the Chinese Army and the Civilian Moral Endeavour Association. Another advertisement was a notice in which four hosiery factories thanked the guerillas for their efficient investigation into charges that they were buying Japanese goods.

The main story concerned a clash between guerillas and an armed Japanese fishing trawler which had run ashore, in which the Japanese "suffered heavy casualties."

The editors of the "Nanwei Daily News" are taking the same risks as the editors of "La Libre Belgique" did during the Great War: arrest and execution.

Several editors of the Belgian paper lost their lives, but none of the Chinese organ's staff appears to have been caught so far. — Reuter.

PICKPOCKET IN P.O.

While purchasing postage stamps at the General Post Office yesterday, Mr. A. G. Squibbs, of No. 7, Tak Shing Street, Kowloon, had his wallet taken out of his pocket. The wallet contained some \$50 and personal documents.

SARCASM HURLED AT GOVERNMENT IN HOUSE

"Handing Over Gibraltar As Triumphal Gift"

London, To-day.

The Spanish Government has invited the British Ambassador to attend the victory parade in Madrid, and the invitation has been accepted.

This announcement by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday, raised a minor storm from the Opposition.

GREATEST CHINESE SUCCESS

LOYANG, TO-DAY.

THE CHINESE VICTORY AT TANGHO, IMPORTANT SOUTH HONAN TOWN SIXTY MILES NORTHEAST OF SINYANG, IS DESCRIBED AS THE GREATEST CHINESE SUCCESS IN SOUTH HONAN IN THE CURRENT YEAR.

Tension in south Honan arising from the Japanese "mopping up" campaign has been eased considerably after the Chinese successive recapture of Tangho and Sinyeh, thirty miles west.

Chinese military advices state that the main Japanese force in south Honan has been shattered as a result of the defeat at Tangho. Over 1,000 casualties were suffered by the Japanese during a night-long battle and no fewer than 500 Japanese army horses killed.

Continuing their advance from Tangho, the Chinese recaptured Pingshih, southeast of Tangho, yesterday. They are now pressing on Tungpei, further southeast near the Honan-Hupeh border.

A part of the remnant Japanese at Tangho have retreated to Shang-tunchen, about ten miles south of Tangho. They are constructing defences on the bank of the Hsiao Ching River. Kuotanchen, southwest of Tangho, has been cleared of Japanese troops.—Central News.

SOME RAIN EXPECTED

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone extends from Central China to the Bonin Islands; it is moving slowly eastward, pressure being highest to the south of Korea. A depression appears to be forming over Tongking, and a trough of low pressure extends across the northern part of the China Sea.

Local forecast:—E. winds, fresh to moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.

A cry of "Shame" was evoked from the Labour benches, and there was a sarcastic query from the Communist Member for West Fife, Mr. W. Gallacher.

Mr. Gallacher asked whether the British Government would consider handing over Gibraltar as a triumphal gift!

IN ACCORDANCE

Replying to numerous supplementary questions Mr. Butler explained that other accredited representatives in Spain had been invited to the parade.

It was in accordance with international practice for foreign representatives to accept invitations of this character.

Later, Mr. J. J. Davidson (Labour, Maryhill) sought to move an adjournment motion, but the Speaker ruled out the motion on the grounds that it was not a matter of urgency.—Reuter.

Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of the Liberal Opposition (says Trans-Ocean) asked whether the Ambassador would also watch the march past of Italian troops.

Mr. Butler merely repeated that the Ambassador had been invited and had accepted the invitation.

CHINESE INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES

LONDON, TO-DAY.

DESPITE THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF MANY CHINESE TOWNS THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ABLE SUBSTANTIALLY TO INCREASE ITS INDUSTRIAL POTENTIAL IN PROVINCES AND DISTRICTS STILL UNDER CHINESE CONTROL.

Asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether attention had been drawn to this fact, Mr. R. H. Cross, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, answered in the affirmative.

Asked to state the steps taken to ensure that British industry co-operated to the fullest extent with this new type of Chinese development, Mr. Cross declared that all proper assistance was given to United Kingdom firms desiring to co-operate with Chinese development.—Reuter.

NEW AIR FACTORY AT GLASGOW

London, To-day.
The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, has announced the establishment of a new aero engine factory in the vicinity of Glasgow. The factory, which will commence production in 12 months, will employ 10,000 men.—Reuter.

COMPLAINANT SEARCHED IN COURT

The unusual sight of a complainant being searched in Court was witnessed this morning at the Central Magistracy when Mr. T. J. Houston ordered the complainant in a larceny case to pay back the wages which he owed to defendant.

Complainant stated that he was a shop owner who dealt in buying and selling flour, while the defendant was a former foki of his. Defendant had been robbed of some flour which he was taking from the Sun Cheong Shop to his master's shop while he was in Kowloon some 20 days ago. Since then he had been afraid to return to the shop, even to collect the wages due to him.

Defendant had finally plucked up courage to return to the shop to find his master and collect his wages, about \$2.70. Upon his arrival, he was told that the master was not in, so he stole some sacks and a pair of trousers from the shop.

Defendant told the Court that he had stolen the articles to sell for his passage back to his village. He had not stolen his master's goods just to get his back wages in that way. The complainant, defendant's master, told the Court that he had never been asked by defendant to pay him.

When asked by Mr. Houston if he was willing to pay his former foki, complainant answered that he was. He was told to return \$2.70 to him, but told the Court that he did not have the money, where upon he was searched. Sixty cents which was found, was given to accused who was told that the complainant would pay him the rest later.

BRITISH OBLIGATIONS TO THE BALTIC STATES

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN ANSWERED A QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY RELATIVE TO THE ATTITUDES OF POLAND AND RUMANIA TOWARDS THE ANGLO-SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH HE SAID, WERE WELL KNOWN TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT THOUGH THEY HAD NOT BEEN GIVEN FORMAL SHAPE.

Mr. Chamberlain insisted it would be inappropriate for him to disclose these views, all the more since the recent visits of M. Potemkin (Soviet Vice-Foreign Commissar) to Bucharest and Warsaw would have given an opportunity for an exchange of views between the Soviet representative and the two Governments.

ONLY LEAGUE OBLIGATIONS

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs was also asked what were the obligations of the British Government towards Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

In the event of Russia being involved in war as the result of defending any of these States against aggression, he was asked, was the British Government under an obligation to come to the aid of Russia?

Mr. Butler replied: "His Majesty's Government are under no obligations to these States except such as may derive from their membership of the League of Nations."

"I can add nothing to the statement made earlier by the Prime Minister on the progress of the Anglo-Soviet discussions." — British Wireless.



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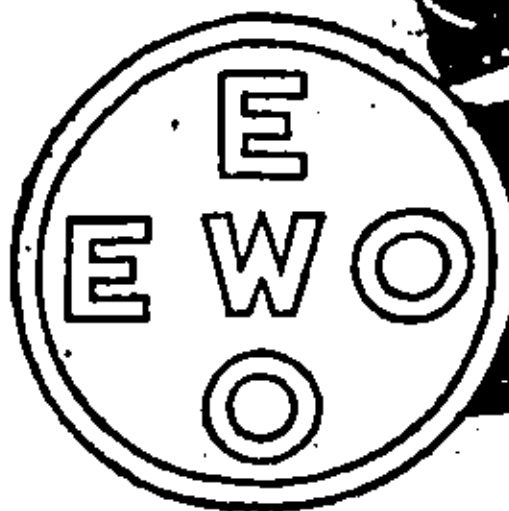
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JAPANESE ACTION AT SHANGHAI WOULD PRODUCE "UNFORTUNATE RESULTS"

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE INVASION AND OCCUPATION BY THE JAPANESE ARMED FORCES OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONCESSION AT KULANGSU, THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS STATED THAT ON THURSDAY MORNING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE AMOY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A STRONG SUPPORTER OF THE LOCAL PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT SET UP UNDER JAPANESE AUSPICES, WAS SHOT AT KULANGSU AND LATER DIED. HIS ASSAILANT ESCAPED.

The same evening an armed Japanese naval party of between 100 and 200 men landed and started to patrol the Settlement, searching private houses and making many arrests.

Shanghai Warning

Mr. Butler informed the House that the British Ambassador at Tokyo had been instructed to protest against this forcible interference with the municipal administration at Kulangsu, which was established by agreement between the Chinese Government and the foreign treaty Powers, including Great Britain and Japan.

He added: "As regards Shanghai, the Japanese Government can be under no misapprehension as to the unfortunate results on Anglo-Japanese relations which would be produced were similar action to be taken by the Japanese in the International Settlement there."—British Wireless.

Envoy's Report On Bombing

LONDON, TO-DAY.

COMPLETE PARTICULARS OF THE BOMBING OF CHUNGKING WERE NOT YET AVAILABLE, DECLARED MR. R. A. BUTLER, UNDER-FOREIGN SECRETARY, IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

However, the British Ambassador in China had reported that casualties among non-combatants resulting from the raids of May 3 and 4 were estimated at 1,600 dead and approximately the same number wounded.

It was feared the full casualty list would be found to be even higher when excavation was completed.

At Foochow, some 180 casualties resulted from the raids of April 25 and 28. Damage to British property was slight.

At Ichang, 40 buildings are reported to have been destroyed, and there were 40 casualties, as the result of the air raid on May 8. — British Wireless.

CHOLERA OUTBREAK NEAR CANTON

Canton, To-day.

With the approach of hot weather Canton faces a cholera outbreak.

It is officially learned that 270 cases have been reported at Fatshan, about 15 miles from Canton, of which 147 proved fatal, up to May 14. There have also been several cases in Canton and Honam Island.

The Japanese authorities are conducting a campaign to prevent the epidemic and are setting up free inoculation posts in various parts of the city.

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LABOUR PRESSES FOR COLLECTIVE PROTESTS

To Focuss World Opinion On Bombing Of Civilians

London, To-day.

The suggestion that collective representations be made to Japan against the massacre of the civilian population from the air, was made in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) said the object should be to focuss world opinion upon methods of warfare which entailed the wholesale massacre of civilian populations.

Would the Government consider approaching other Governments, he asked, to organise collective representations to the Japanese in favour of abstention from such aerial attacks as were made upon Chungking?

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replying, said the Ambassador in Tokyo had made strong representations to Japan.

He urged from the humanitarian point of view as well as in Japan's best interests that stringent instructions be sent to restrict attacks to recognised military objectives.

The Ambassador had observed that in the case of the Chungking air raid, casualties appeared to

have been suffered almost exclusively by the civilian element.

LEAGUE RESOLUTION?

The Foreign Secretary understood that representations on similar lines had been made to Japan by the Ambassadors of other countries.

Mr. Henderson: Would it not be possible for the League Council to consider the question and a resolution similar to that passed by the Assembly in September?

Mr. Butler: Such matters will receive consideration, but an initiative in that sense would be necessary.

NO REPLY

Rev. R. W. Sorenson (Labour, West Leyton): Has a reply yet been received from the Japanese Government?

Mr. Butler: Not on this particular matter.

Mr. Robert Boothby (Conservative, East Aberdeen): Have any special arrangements been made for the security of the British Embassy?

Mr. Butler: In the representations made, it was pointed out that the British Embassy was very nearly hit in the course of the raid.—Reuter.

PEACE TALK: BRITAIN IS SYMPATHETIC

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said in the Commons that he had no statement to make on the reported peace conference initiative by the Vatican.

Mr. Butler went on: "As members will doubtless have seen in the press, His Holiness has not made any formal proposals, but I can assure the House that His Majesty's Government are naturally most sympathetic to any steps which His Holiness may think can usefully be taken with a view to furthering the interests of world peace." — British Wireless.

IMPORTANT COMMONS DEBATES

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the White Paper on Palestine will be published to-morrow evening (Wednesday), and there will be a debate thereon before Whitsun.

There will be a foreign affairs debate on Friday this week.—Reuter.

DE FACTO RECOGNITION OF SLOVAKIA

London, To-day.

Answering a Commons question on Slovakia, Mr. Butler, the Under-Foreign Secretary, stated that to facilitate the conduct of normal business the British Consul at Bratislava had, on the Foreign Secretary's instructions, sought and obtained from the Slovak Government, recognition as His Majesty's Consul for Slovakia.

The Slovak Government had been informed that the British Government regarded this step as amounting to de facto recognition.—British Wireless.

LEAGUE MAY SHELVE AN AWKWARD PROBLEM

London, To-day.

It is understood it is improbable that the Danzig question will come up for discussion at the League meeting next week.

The subject was to have been discussed by a committee of three, consisting of Britain, France and Sweden, but according to information received here, it has been decided it would be inopportune to hold a meeting at the present juncture.—Reuter.

HALIFAX FOR GENEVA

London To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, has now definitely decided to leave London on Saturday or Sunday for Geneva to attend the League Council meeting.

It is not yet certain who will represent the Soviet, though it is likely that M. Potemkin, Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs, will attend.—Trans-Ocean.

NO LOAN

Paris, To-day.

The Ministry of Finance has issued a denial of the French press reports that the Spanish Government is endeavouring to obtain a loan in Paris.—Trans-Ocean.

Civilians Leaving Foochow

Swatow, To-day.

Foochow was again severely bombed yesterday, according to vernacular messages received here last night. Bombs, it is reported fell in the heart of the city.

Details of damage and casualties were not available last night. Civilians are being evacuated from Foochow, and the situation is reported to be tense following the sudden appearance of some ten Japanese warships and a number of armed trawlers off the coast.—Our Own Correspondent.

RECRUITS FLOCK TO R.A.F.

London, To-day.

A total of 1,149 recruits joined the R.A.F. last week compared with 404 in the corresponding week last year.

This is a record entry and for the third week in succession the numbers entered have exceeded the thousand mark.

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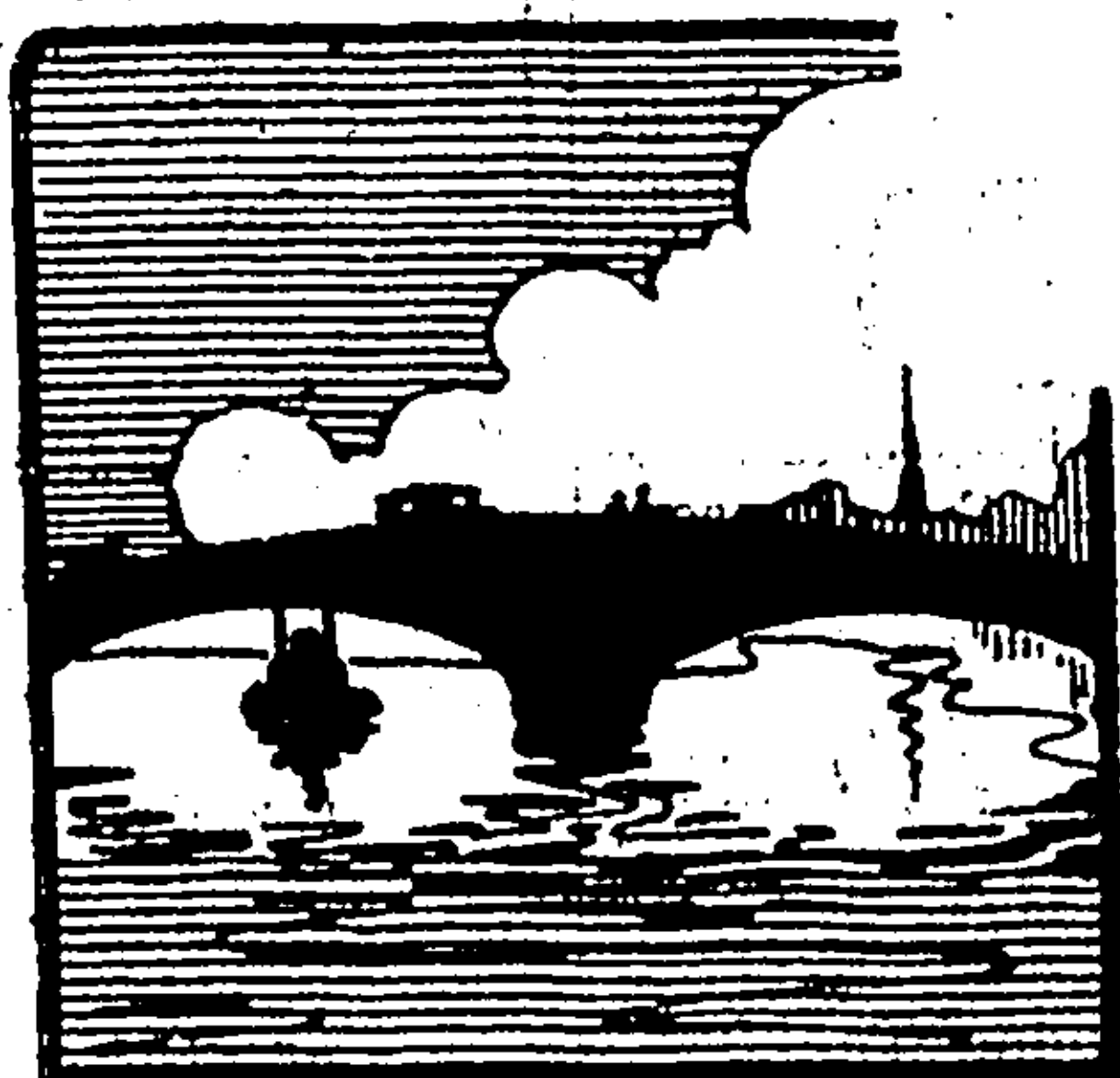
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WAR IS NOT INEVITABLE

Peace is power. It includes the means of preventing wars.

A statement such as President Roosevelt made recently at Warm Springs—"I'll be back in the fall if we don't have war"—is apt to be read with too much of a sense of resignation to catastrophe. To assume from this that a general war, is unavoidable, might readily be a misreading of the President's thoughts in the matter and would almost surely be a mistaking of his purpose in the remark.

To those acquainted with the diplomacy of the situation such a comment is one of the few ways open to an American President of letting Europe know that the United States Government is continuously interested in events abroad, that it feels itself definitely affected by moves that menace the general peace. To make this plain may be, and the President clearly believes it is one way of helping to dispel the threats of war.

Certainly the everyday citizen should not accept the suggestion hurled from so many sides that war is inescapable. War settles nothing. It is an appeal to force to solve questions that only justice can solve. Intelligence and fairness, whatever the seeming odds of excitement and intolerance, can be exercised as well before an armed conflict as after: in fact, usually better before hatreds have become burned in by brutality.

If there are some who will not accept peaceful methods but are resolved upon the arbitrament of the sword, then as in the ordinary community, others must stand ready to make the sacrifices necessary toward preserving order. They must be willing to do their part in maintaining civilised standards of conduct. It should steadily be kept in view, however, that the course of firmness has other possible ways of working out than by war. Coupled with justice, it can convince aggressors that there are wiser methods of pressing their claims.

Efforts for peace may involve the risk of war. But the world should hold to the eternal fact that justice is possible without war.

Britain Under Arms

More than six months ago the people of Britain woke up to realize that they were face to

face with the prospect of an immediate war which threatened the devastation of cities and the complete dislocation of civil life. It was borne in upon them that the civilian population was not organised to deal with the terrific blows that might suddenly be rained upon them. Since then Britain has been stirred to action.

Civilians are being prepared to take their part, side by side with the regular forces, in organising the protection of their fellow citizens, in evacuating surplus persons from dangerous areas, in fighting fire, in dealing with casualties, and in every other emergency service.

Recruiting for the regular Forces and for the Territorial Army has been rapid, and there has been a steady flow of men and women to the Civil Defence service. In some places the numbers are in excess of requirements; in others they fall short.

As it is an organisation in every locality has been created and is functioning. Sudden attack would no longer find the civilian population helpless. The knock-out blow is no longer possible, and in a prolonged war Britain appears materially and morally equipped to stay the course.

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Poland's Choice

Poland in the next few days may face a momentous question. Whether to stand by and watch a fait accompli achieved under her nose by the Danzig Diet or appeal to the protection of friendly powers.

An Associated Press report from Berlin the other day stated: "If there is Polish resistance, it is believed here, precedents indicate that Herr Hitler's demands on Poland may be increased." But Poland must be thinking of another sort of precedent: Czech-Slovakia was persuaded not to resist, and the demands increased anyway. This is the Hobson's choice that appears to be facing most of Europe. It explains why the nations are helping to form the front which may persuade expansionist Powers of the wisdom of their making a new choice—the method of negotiation rather than that of war.

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Saints And Society

Problems are never solved en masse. There are abuses to be rectified, injustices to be set right, general conditions which ought to be changed, and some of these ends can be achieved only by concerted action. But all this takes time. . . . In the meantime the business of individual living will not wait. The more patiently and intelligently we face our own life and its immediate problems, the sooner we shall find the path to the general good. It is not true that a society of saints would automatically solve all human difficulties, but there is little doubt that they would achieve that end sooner than a society of thieves and gluttons. The wisest social organisation will fail if the individuals who compose society are unworthy. While we are waiting for Utopia, we can each still be loyal and earnest, we can find happiness in love and friendship, and satisfaction in the doing of the day's work. Is not this after all the greatest need of the world to-day?—Minneapolis (Minn.) Journal.

SOVIET ANSWER TO GREAT BRITAIN

NO CHANGE IN RUSSIAN ATTITUDE

London, To-day.

The Russian reply to the British counter-proposals has reached London and is being deciphered. It will be studied by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, and Foreign Office experts to-day, and is expected to come before the Cabinet to-morrow (Wednesday).

In Moscow, while nothing official has been revealed, it is understood that the Soviet answer follows the line of the recent editorial in the semi-official Moscow newspaper "Izvestia," which apparently sets forth the policy firmly pursued by the U.S.S.R.

The editorial in question said plainly that mutual assistance pacts had to be signed between the Soviet and the Western Powers.

Meanwhile, the Anglo-Soviet talks were again raised in the House of Commons yesterday, when the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, declared:

"I am awaiting a further communication from the Soviet and cannot amplify my previous statements."

GENEVA TALKS

Mr. Chamberlain was replying to a number of questions seeking information on the negotiations.

He added that the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, hoped to have an opportunity of pursuing the conversations with the Soviet representatives at Geneva.

PREMIER STUBBORN

The Prime Minister was then subjected to a barrage of supplementary questions.

Mr. Chamberlain maintained the position that the negotiations were not facilitated by discussions at intermediary stages.

He refused to reveal further particulars. — *Reuter.*

Nazi Press Keeps It Up

Berlin, To-day.

While there are still no hints of the next Nazi move in the Danzig question, the press steadily maintains insistence that the alleged anti-German influence in Poland speaks of "Poland's nervousness and the difficulties arising from her continual mobilisation."

The Nazi newspapers still publish allegations of Polish terrorism. — *Reuter.*

TRENCHES DUG NEAR GIB.

Gibraltar, To-day.

It is reported that since yesterday morning, 100 Spanish soldiers have been digging trenches in neutral ground half a mile from the Gibraltar frontier. — *Reuter.*

AIR LINE PILOTS CALLED UP

Mr. C. E. Kaufmann, London representative of K.L.M. Air Lines, stated at a dinner in Manchester that 23 pilots in the service of the company had been called to arms in Holland.

A K.L.M. official stated that the services run by the company would not be affected. Not all of the men are chief pilots.

No pilots of the other principal air operating companies, French, British or Belgian, have been called up.

NEW CHINESE KONGMOON ATTACK

Shiuhing, Kwangtung, To-day.

Chinese forces started a fresh counter-assault on Kongmoon yesterday. Bloody fighting is reported to be in progress at Tongha and Pingkong, northwest of Kongmoon.

Unsuccessful attacks were launched by the Japanese on Hokshan and Hoihow yesterday. They landed at Shahow and tried to push inland. However, they were repulsed. — *Central News.*

LOAN SUCCESS

Paris, To-day.

The new Treasury loan of 6,000,000,000 francs has been fully subscribed.

The subscription was completed during the day. — *Reuter.*

HANKOW SITUATION: MR. BUTLER AS VAGUE AS EVER

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. R. A. BUTLER, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MADE ANOTHER OF HIS "DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT ARE STILL PROCEEDING" STATEMENTS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

Soviets Training Chinese

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

THREE HUNDRED CHINESE AIR RECRUITS HAVE BEEN SENT TO SINKIANG, IN CHINESE TURKESTAN, WHERE THEY WILL BE TRAINED IN THE SOVIET FLYING SCHOOL AT ILI.

This Soviet training centre has already turned out 50 fully qualified Chinese airmen, who according to reports reaching here from Harbin, have gone to Chungking to help reorganise the Chinese air force.

The Chinese military command hopes to complete this reorganisation by the end of June.

Since its foundation in November, 1938, the Soviet flying school in Ili has turned out about 260 Chinese pilots. — *Trans-Ocean.*

Mr. Butler was replying to a question whether transport facilities were yet available for British business men desiring to travel between Hankow and Shanghai.

He replied that regular facilities were not yet available, and discussions on the subject were proceeding with the competent Japanese authorities.

GOVERNMENT REALISES

Mr. A. C. Moreing (Conservative, Preston) asked Mr. Butler whether he would continue to press the subject, in view of the great hardships, not only to businessmen but to their wives and families, caused by the restrictions on traffic facilities on the Yangtse.

Mr. Moreing also asked whether there had been any further discus-

Jap. Sub. Base On Hainan

London, To-day.

THE construction by the Japanese of a submarine base at Yulin Bay (Hainan Island) was mentioned in the House of Commons yesterday.

The question was raised by Mr. Philip Noel-Baker (Labour, Derby) who asked whether the Government had received reports of the Japanese action in excavating a base for submarines at Yulin.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said there had been a report to this effect, but so far they had not received confirmation from official circles.

Mr. Noel-Baker asked whether the British Agent would be instructed to inquire into the matter.

Mr. Butler replied that the question of taking steps to investigate the truth of the report was at present under consideration. — *Reuter.*

NEW U.S.A. DEFENCES AT PORTO RICO

San Juan, To-day.

Porto Rico will become the centre of defence for the Caribbean Sea, according to General Marshall, new United States Chief of Staff.

General Marshall arrived here yesterday to select sites for advance air bases.

He said that development of the aeroplane had put Porto Rico where it was in the 16th Century. — *Reuter.*

sion with the Admiral commanding the China Station.

Mr. Butler: — Contact has been maintained, and the Government realises the seriousness of the situation. — *Reuter.*

Here's Luck!

**EWOWO
BEER**

Firing practice will be carried out from Fort Stanley between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. to-day.

CANADIAN PLANES FLY OVER THE ROYAL LINER

THEFT OF PIPING AT DEEP WATER BAY

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed on three Chinese unemployed by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of larceny of 540 feet of water piping from Deep Water Bay, yesterday. The accused were Lai Sau, 28, Woo Lam-choi, 37, and Luk Kai, 33.

Sergeant Estall said that there had been a lot of piping missing in the last month. The piping was valued at \$185. Two spanners were found in defendants' possession.

First and third defendants, who had previous convictions against them, were recommended for banishment.

WAR ZONE CHINESE TEACHERS IN HONG KONG

Altogether 1,100 unemployed Chinese teachers from the war areas now in Hong Kong have registered for teaching refugee children in the Colony, according to Mr. Tan Po-yang, member of the committee for the relief of refugee children under the Kwangtung Refugee Relief Association.

Although the number of teachers registered in Macao is still unavailable, Mr. Tan believes that it will reach the 600 mark.

Registration for refugee children without schooling will commence in Hong Kong on May 22, ending on May 31.

Schools will be established for them in 13 districts in the Colony, to accommodate a total of 10,000 students. — Central News.

Empress Vibrates To Explosion Of Depth Charges

London, To-day.

Watched by the King, an aeroplane was catapulted from the cruiser H.M.S. Southampton yesterday to survey ice conditions in the St. Lawrence River, says a wireless message from Reuter's special correspondent on board the Empress of Australia.

The liner, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon (British Standard Time), was off Platts Point, Miquelon, roughly 668 from Quebec.

The liner had been speeding steadily ahead at 19 knots since she ran clear of ice on Sunday.

The King strolled on the promenade deck yesterday, enjoying the first day of good weather since the Royal liner sailed.

Yesterday everybody was in the best of spirits, and it seemed certain that the liner would reach Quebec in good time to carry out Wednesday's programme as arranged.

ARRIVING TO-DAY

If the present fine run and brilliant sunshine continue, says Reuter's correspondent, we expect to reach the Peninsula roughly 475 miles from Quebec, at 10 o'clock this morning (Tuesday).

The Royal liner will sail up the St. Lawrence by the North Channel and will anchor off the Island of Orleans, below Quebec, at about 4 a.m. on Wednesday.

The Canadian destroyers Skeena and Saguenay were expected to meet the Empress of Australia at 9.45 last night (British Standard Time).

PLANES FROM CANADA

During luncheon yesterday three aeroplanes from Canada circled over the ship.

Reuter's correspondent continues: "We spent the afternoon skirting the snowclad slopes of New foundland far away to starboard."

"The liner rocked and vibrated when our two escorting cruisers exploded depth charges in the afternoon, sending spurts of water into air."

Meanwhile a telegram received in London from Quebec quotes an official announcement that Their Majesties will land there on Wednesday at 10.30 a.m. (local time).

Apart from curtailment of their stay in Ottawa, no material change is being made in Their Majesties' programme, the telegram adds. — Reuter.

According to news reports from on board the Empress of Australia (says British Wireless) the ship charts show that in the endeavour to clear the ice, she steered a zigzag course, and in 80 hours between Thursday morning and Sunday afternoon she covered only 172 miles.

CROAT PROBLEM

Belgrade, To-day.

Prince Regent Paul of Yugoslavia, who together with Princess Olga left Italy yesterday, will receive the Croat, Dr. Matchek, within the next few days to discuss the question of a solution of the Croat problem. It is announced that the Prince Regent will leave for Berlin on June 1 for an official visit which will last two days. — Trans-Ocean.

LIQUIDATING CZECH ARMY

Prague, To-day.

The "liquidation" of the former Czecho-Slovak Army is to be accelerated, said the Minister for National Defence yesterday.

Non-commissioned officers are to be enrolled in a "protective corps," while officers will be given preference when applying for civilian jobs. — Trans-Ocean.

Paris, To-day.

Some 9000 Spanish militiamen interned in French concentration camps have volunteered for service in the French foreign legion according to the evening paper "Ce Soir." — Trans-Ocean.

TROOPS TURN BACK COAL MINER PICKETS

London, To-day.

The New York correspondent of "The Times" says that in Harlan County, troops of the National Guard turned back 3,000 coal miners on their way to picket mines belonging to owners who have not signed the new agreement last week.

About six mines have reopened in this area hitherto.

Troops have now been placed on the borders of Kentucky to prevent any influx of miners from other States. — Reuter.

HEAVY FINE IN ILLEGAL RADIO CASE

Cheung Yat-sau, 28, Chan Yat-man, 30, and Chau Kwong-ping, 26, were again brought before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning, when they were charged with possession of an illegal radio transmitter at Shaui-kan on May 1.

Mr. P. Y. Woo was representing all defendants, who pleaded guilty. Mr. D. W. Waterton, of the Wireless Department, said that at about 4.45 p.m. on May 1, he raided No. 76 Marble Road, top floor, on information received. There he found a radio transmitter set and documents valued at several thousand dollars.

Mr. Waterton also asked for a maximum fine, confiscation of the apparatus and rewards to the informers.

All defendants were fined \$1,000 each, a \$200 reward was granted to the informer, and the apparatus ordered to be confiscated.

RADIO STOLEN FROM CAR

A radio set, valued at \$50, was stolen from private car No. 4501 yesterday, according to a report made by the owner, Ho Wah, of No. 428, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Bucharest, To-day.

The Rumanian Ministerial Council has decided that all Ministers will place one month's salary at the disposal of the national defence fund. — Trans-Ocean.

Turin, To-day.

Mussolini yesterday reviewed 14 squadrons of the Italian air force, which later performed aerobatics. Il Duce later reviewed Piedmontese Black Shirt garrisons. — Trans-Ocean.

GRAND STAGE SHOW

Commencing Thursday, 4 Times Daily

At The QUEEN'S Only

"HOLLYWOOD ON PARADE"

COWAN & BAILEY

piano, songs, banjo,
costume numbers

THE TAYLEURS

exhibition
ballroom dancing
tango, rumba, waltz,

LAURELL GAINES

dancing sweetheart
of stage and screen

3 HOLLYWOOD STARLETS

singing & dancing

MAURETA

pianos & golden voice

JOHN TAYLEUR

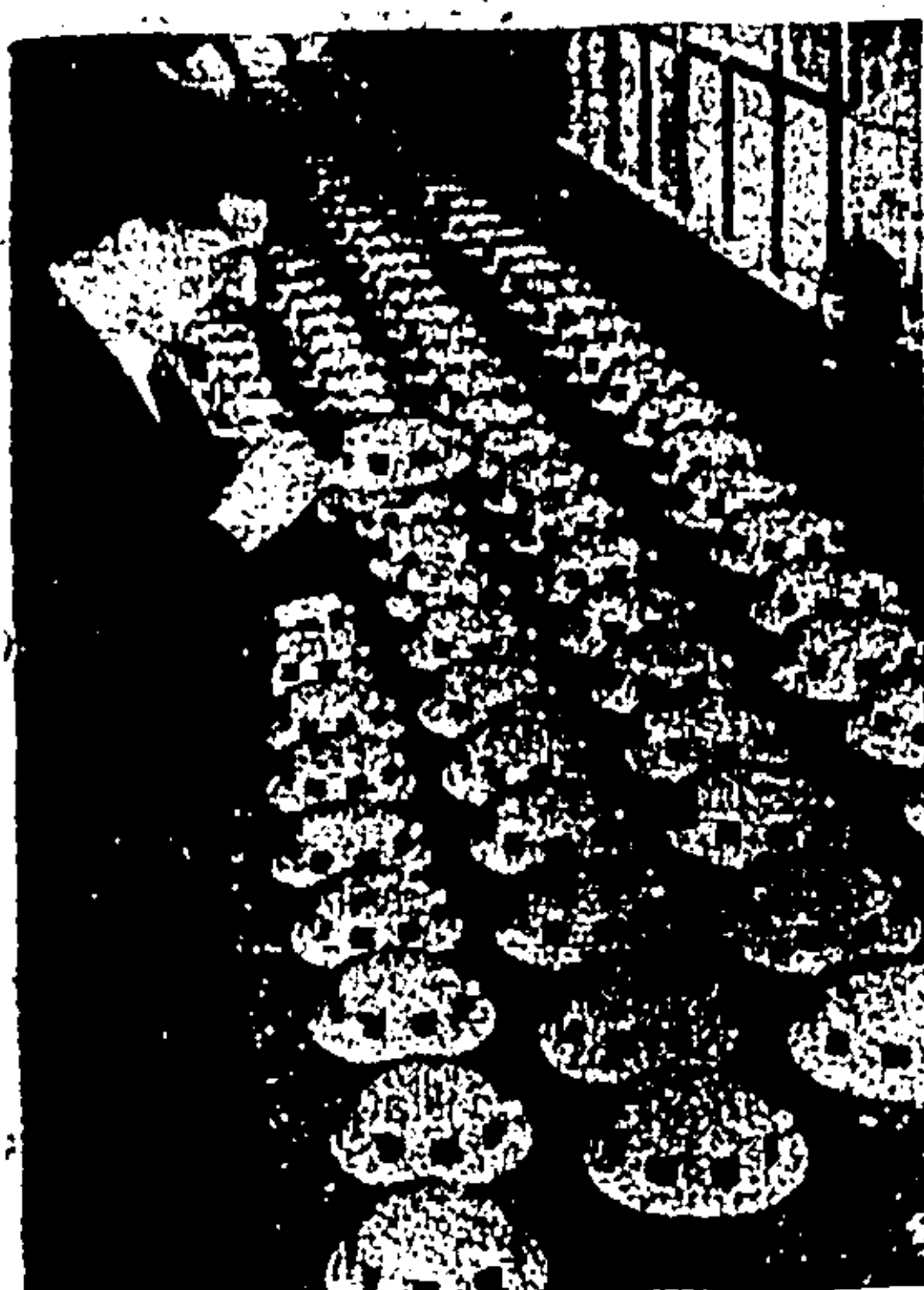
eccentric legmania dancer

News Snack Bar

COCKTAIL--FOR MEN ONLY

A "cocktail" which doubles, even trebles, a man's endurance and intellectual powers, but fails to do the same for women, has been announced by Dr. G. R. Ray, of the Long Island College Hospital.

This new cocktail has glycine, an amino acid, as the essential ingredient. Fourteen of these amino acids are known to be essential to life. Glycine is the principal constituent of gelatine.



JUST LIKE 'SPRING HAT FASHIONS'—The ventilators for use in the interiors of railway carriages look just like small size "boaters" when lined up in the paint shop at the Great Western Railway works at Swindon. This photo shows not something new in hat fashions, but the painting of the ventilators.

"TOO OLD AT TWENTY-ONE" CHARGE BY SHOP UNION

Exploitation of youth was alleged by delegates at the annual conference of the National Union of Shop Assistants Warehousemen and Clerks at Glasgow.

Mr. C. Cockburn declared that the cry "Too old at forty" had given way to "Too old at twenty-one."

Mr. A.R. Burgess, in his presidential address, stated that 29.3 per cent. of males and 40 per cent. of the females employed in distribution were under twenty-one, and that a large proportion of these were doomed to blind alley work and the industrial scrapheap.

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A LOT IN THEIR NAME

Two brothers, Mr. Samuel L. Germany and Mr. Richard M. Germany, of Boston, Massachusetts, have filed an application to change their name because they believe it is a "liability and embarrassment." They want to be called "Germaine," says Reuter.

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BUTE DOWRY BRIDE

1939 Bute Dowry bride is Miss Beatrice Silvia Irene Lavis, of Canton, Cardiff. She will receive £30 in cash—thanks to the late Marquis of Bute. Forty-two years ago he placed \$1,000 with Cardiff Corporation and directed that the annual interest should be given to the Cardiff girl whose marriage would otherwise be held up for lack of money.

More than 100 men and a dozen women were tested before and after taking gelatine on a machine which measured the amount of electricity they could generate. One of the best subjects, whose average was ninety watts before taking the gelatine, increased his output to 225 watts in forty-nine days. When he stopped taking the glycine cocktail his output dropped.

Only three women showed any increase in energy output.

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HE CONVERTED GANDHI

Mr. Henry S. Salt, who converted Gandhi to vegetarianism, has died at Brighton. He was eighty-seven. He was the founder and for thirty years the honorary secretary of the Humanitarian League, the objects of which were to abolish blood sports and vivisection, to reform prisons and popularise humane diet.

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ARABS GET THE 'QUAKES

Arabs living near Mostaganem, Algeria, did not have one dull moment during the first ten days of April. Scientists have reported there were thirty earthquakes in that region during the period—an average of three a day.

SURPLUS FOR POOR

Plans to distribute surplus food-stuffs among families with low incomes are to be tried soon announced Mr. Wallace, United States Secretary of Agriculture, yesterday. Food stamps will be used, and Rochester, in New York State, has been chosen for the first experiment.



FULL SPEED AHEAD WITH KHAKI.—Following the announcement of Conscription, this picture was taken at a Bethnal Green factory and shows the making of military caps.

MOTORISTS IN COURT

From London police courts:
Motorist at Highgate: When you drive as carefully as I do you don't need a hand brake!
Motorist at Stratford: I own five cars, but when trade is slack I only drive one at a time.
Motorist at Wood Green: The constable and I had similar mentalities. He said he did not like me either.
Witness at Golders Green: After explaining the working parts of the car he had to hire a lorry to tow it away.

MIDLAND CITY GRAZES 20,000 SHEEP

The people of Birmingham — although few of them know it—own 20,000 sheep. Welsh shepherds tend these flocks amid the wild hills around Brecknock, Cardigan and Montgomery, seventy-five miles from Birmingham.

Here lies watershed, fifteen miles long and eight miles wide, owned by the Corporation. It provides Birmingham's million inhabitants with water. . . . "In this area," says the City of Birmingham Handbook for 1939, "there is a population of about 100. Some years ago a census revealed that there were about 60,000 sheep in the watershed, about a third of which number belong to the Corporation. They were distributed among the tenants to be card for."

800-YEAR-OLD GIFT FROM SIAMESE TWINS

The poor of Biddenden, Kent have just received two four pound loaves of bread and one pound of cheese—their legacy from Siamese twins who lived early in the twelfth century.

The custom has been kept alive for more than 800 years.

Eliza and Mary Chulchurst were the twins. They were born in Biddenden joined at the hips, and lived in the village for thirty-four years.

One of them died, and the other, though advised to have an operation to part her from her sister, refused, saying, "as we came together, we will also go together."

Rent from a plot of land left by the twins—now known as "The Bread and Cheese Land"—buys for the charity."

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From Highgate Police Court:
Woman: I was just looking at her when she said, "Who are you staring at?" I said, "I don't know what it is." Then, for some unknown reason, she hit me.

Cyclist witness: I went up to the woman driver and said, "Hi, what's the game?" She said, "Driving is no game; any woman will tell you that."

Counsel: There is a certain amount of confusion in this case, because the defendant was impersonated by his son and told everyone that he was his brother.

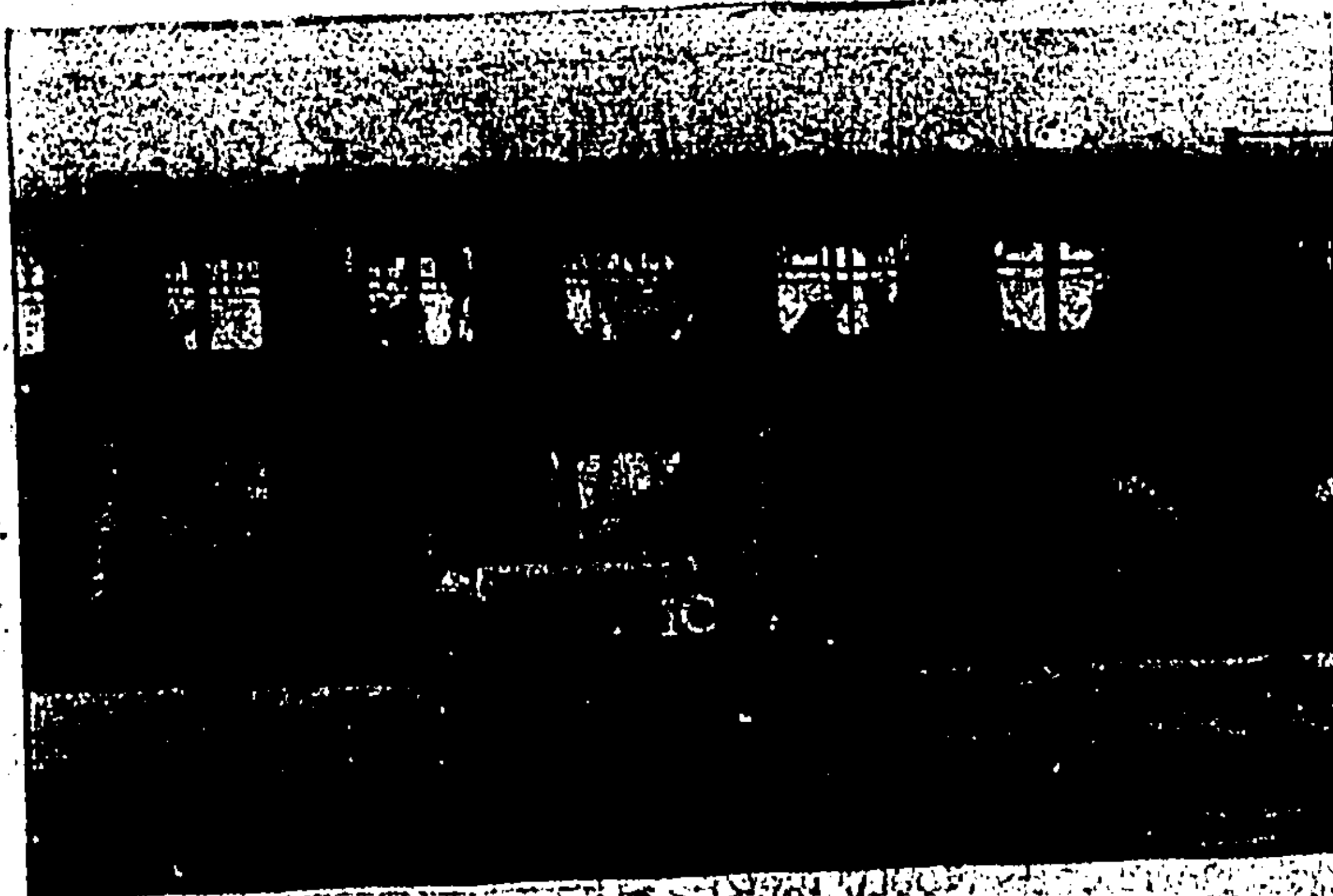
SOLDIERS MAY JOIN UNIONS

Soldiers who wish to join or remain in trade unions are free to do so, states Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Minister. Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, says that naval ratings may do the same.

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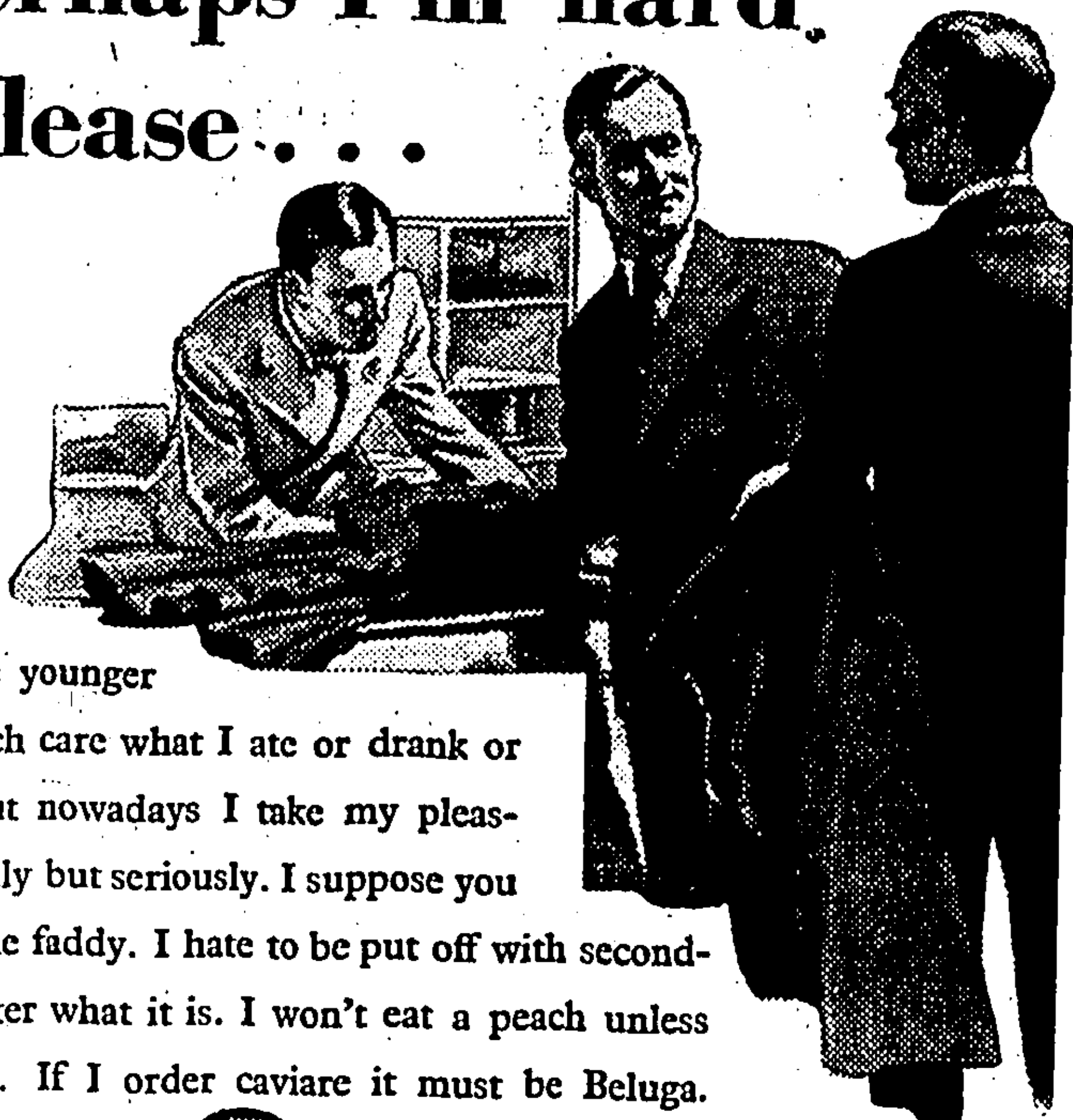
MY HAT!

A 'tin-hat' which, it is claimed, offers better protection than any other has been invented by Mr. J. F. Gilding, of Redfern, New South Wales. While wearing his own steel helmet, Gilding allowed a 14st. 6ft. man to pound his hat with a 5½lb. axe. But, says British United Press, Mr. Gilding suffered no ill-effects.

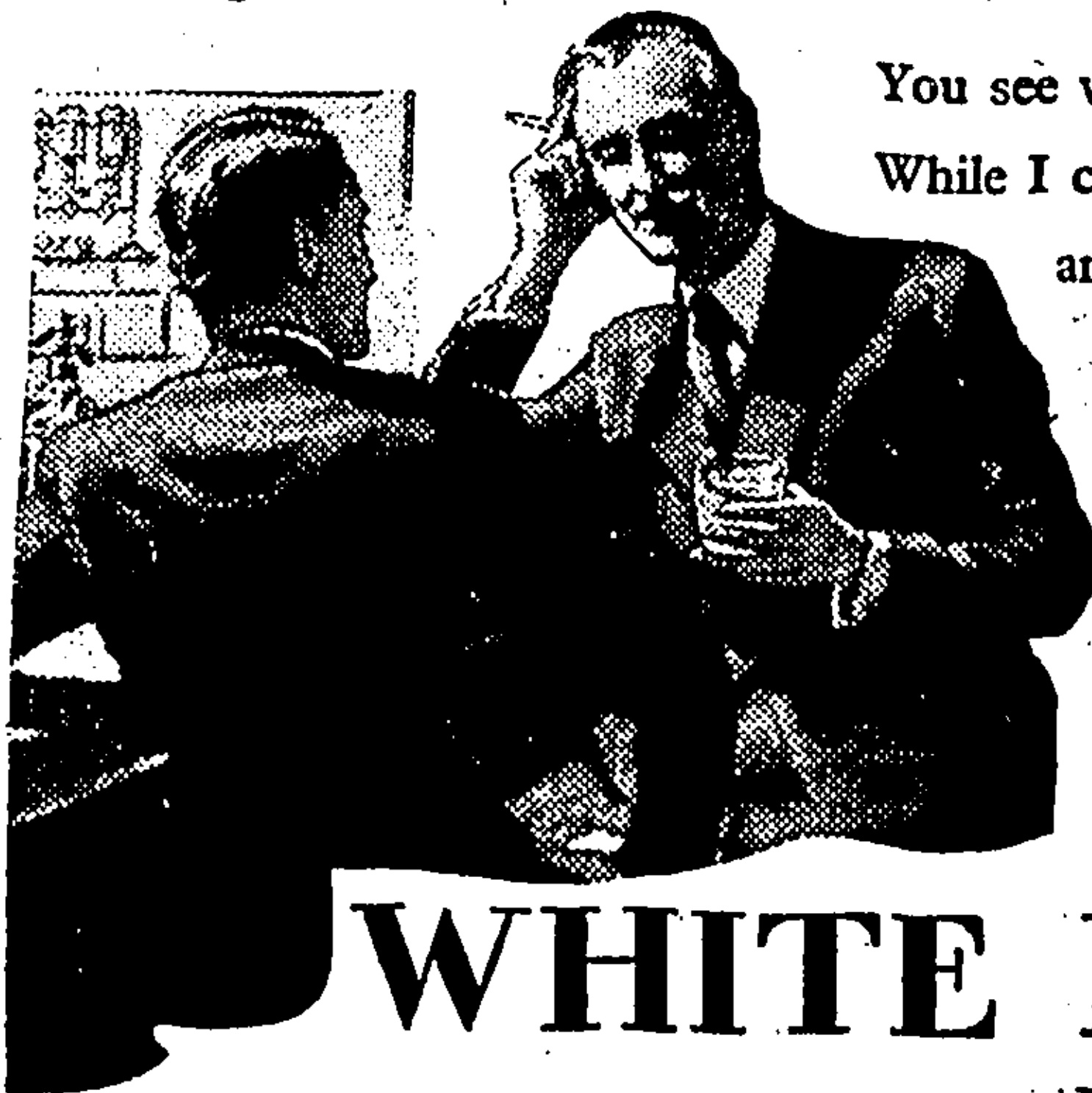


SPEED KNIGHTS OF TWO ROADS MEET.—A mechanic testing out a racing car along a lonely stretch of road at Standon Bridge, Staff., often has the opportunity to accept a challenge in a duel of speed with the L.M.S. Expresses thundering along the iron road beside him. Photo shows racing car and train in a duel at Standon Bridge, Staff.

"Perhaps I'm hard,
to please..."



When I was younger
I didn't much care what I ate or drank or
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ures, not sadly but seriously. I suppose you
would call me faddy. I hate to be put off with second-
best, no matter what it is. I won't eat a peach unless
it is English. If I order caviare it must be Beluga.



You see what I mean about whisky.
While I can obtain a whisky as soft
and smooth as a fine liqueur,
why on earth should I be
put off with anything less
than White Horse? I
admit that perhaps I am
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WHITE HORSE WHISKY

You can tell it blindfold!

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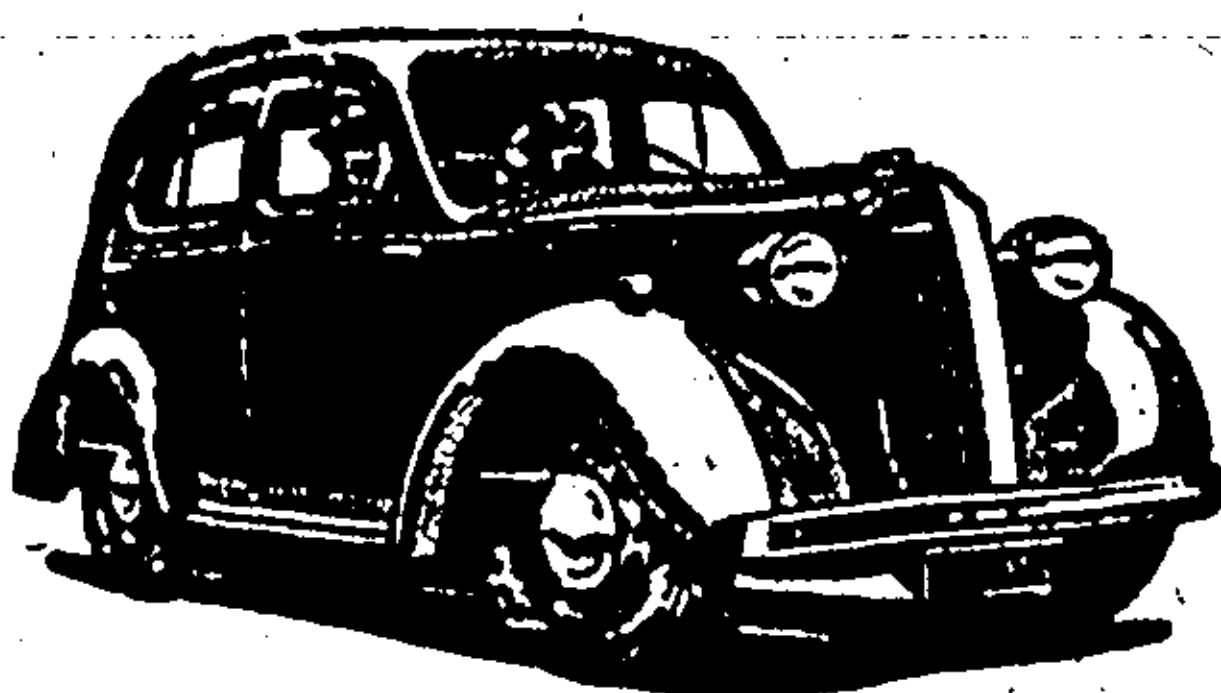
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POLAND AS THE MILITARY POWER

POLAND'S greatest military strength lies in her remarkable man-power. During the war, apart from ordinary casualties, over 1,000,000 Poles died of privation. Naturally, most of these were old people, so that the normal age balance of population was disturbed. Thus to-day 50 per cent. of the people of Poland are under 25 years of age—66 per cent. under 30!

These are remarkable figures. They mean that Poland, with a population of only 34,000,000, can mobilise an army larger than France with 41,000,000.

They are even more significant when considered in detail. The conscript classes being called up to-day are nearly as large in Poland as in Germany.

Consider the situation in the immediate post-war years—a defeated Germany in the trough of despair, bankrupt and without hope, and a resurrected Poland charged with enthusiastic and optimistic virility. Thus in the years 1920-5 the average number of boys born in Poland was 515,000. In Germany, with double the population, it was only 675,000.

More recent figures are even more striking. Although free from Government stimulus, the Poles are naturally more prolific than the Germans, and in the last 10 years the average number of boys born in Poland was 511,000, while in Germany it was 595,000. In young man-power, therefore, Poland is only slightly inferior to Germany.

WELL-EQUIPPED DIVISIONS

The Polish army is thus a factor of great importance. Poland is actually the fifth military power in the world. The standing army exceeds 300,000, including 45,000 regular officers and N.C.O.'s, while trained reserves exceed 2,000,000 men. In time of war Poland could mobilise an army of 4,000,000 soldiers without crippling the essential economic life of the country.

The standing army includes 30 divisions of infantry, with two of moun-
tain troops. These divisions are well

equipped, and are trained to fight as independent units. Poland's frontiers are so vast—3,438 miles—that it is impossible to visualise warfare based on continuous lines of trenches; a Polish Maginot Line is not a practicable position. According to its station, each division has its allotment of mechanised and armoured vehicles. Polish tanks are of excellent quality and performance, and are now being produced in large numbers.

Supporting troops include 30 regiments of field artillery attached to the divisions, independent brigades for general reserve, 10 regiments of heavy artillery, mechanised units, anti-aircraft sections and armoured trains. I witnessed a shoot at unprepared targets by a field artillery brigade, and was more than favourably impressed.

ROLE OF MOUNTED TROOPS

Yet the outstanding feature of the Polish army is its cavalry. I should class this as the best in Europe. It is certainly the quietest. More than once as I attended manoeuvres in Eastern Galicia I found myself surrounded by cavalry who had given no hint of their approach. I much admired their equipment and the fashion in which it is mounted—so that a man may ride at a canter without the slightest jingle.

Cavalry may be discredited in the West, but in the wide expanses of Eastern Europe its role is very important. In a war of movement, over a country with poor communications, the activities of mechanised forces are limited by considerations of supply, but in any part of Poland cavalry can live on the country.

Mounted troops consist of three regiments of light cavalry, 27 of Uhlans, 10 of mounted chasseurs and 10 squadrons of scouts. The divisions of the cavalry are traditional—all are equipped alike, with the machine-gun as the dominant weapon. I found the troops of excellent quality; trained to fight in



YOUNG NAVIGATORS.—Future British Naval officers gain practical experience by going on cruises in real men-o-war. H.M.S. *Vindictive* has been specially fitted out as a cadet training ship and during the voyages the young officers get first hand knowledge of navigation, gunnery and the general routine of a battleship. Photo shows physical training to the marine's hand on the quarter deck of H.M.S. *Vindictive*.

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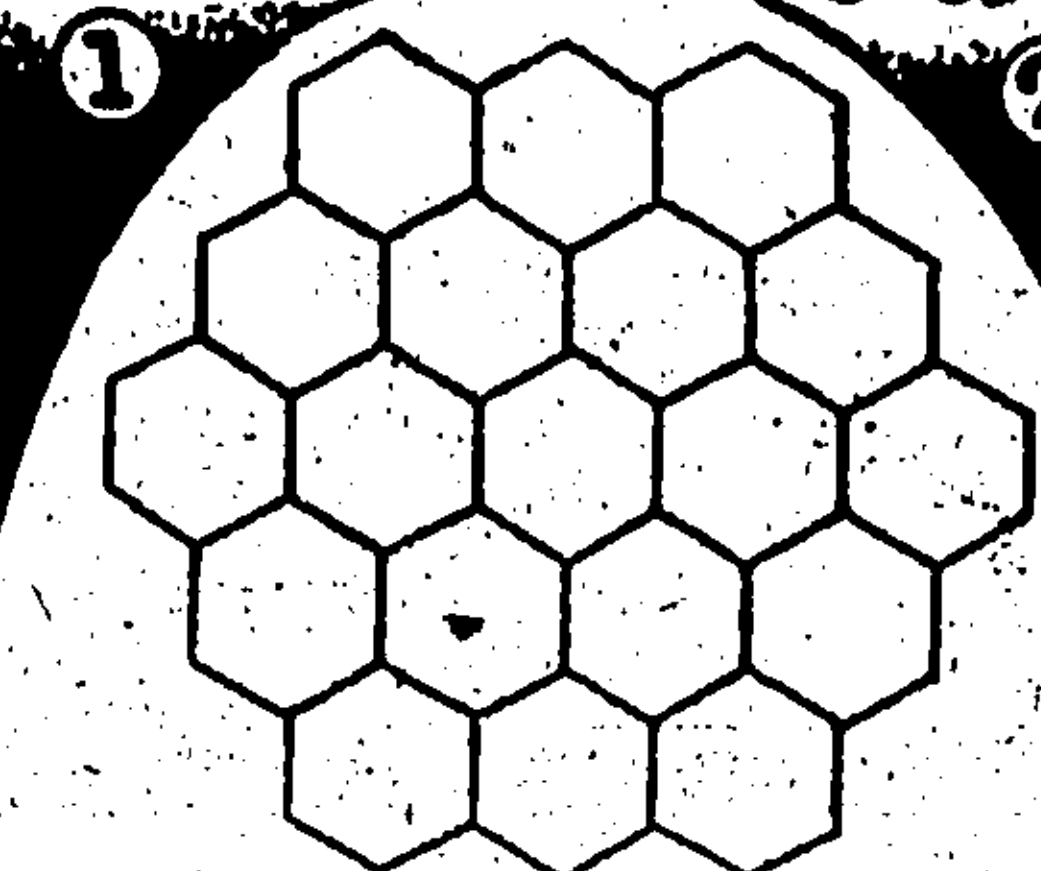
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PROBLEMATIC 3 By ERN SHAW. A CLOCK POSER

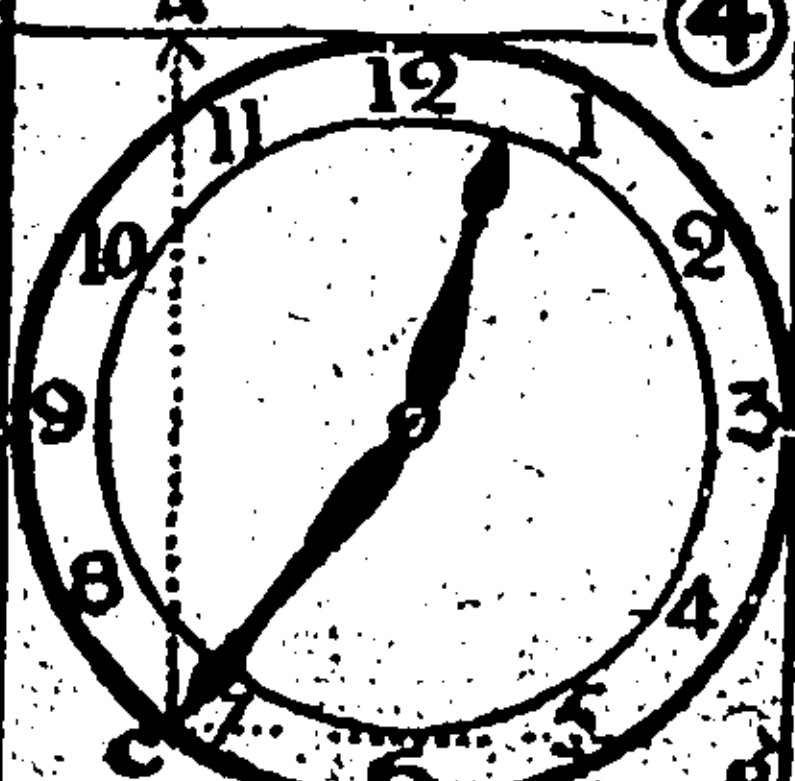


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HAS 3 IN THE TOP ROW. HOW
MANY CELLS WOULD THERE
BE IN A HONEYCOMB
OF SIMILAR SHAPE IF
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ANAGRAMS
EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
CAN BE RE-ARRANGED TO FORM
A EUROPEAN TOWN OR CITY

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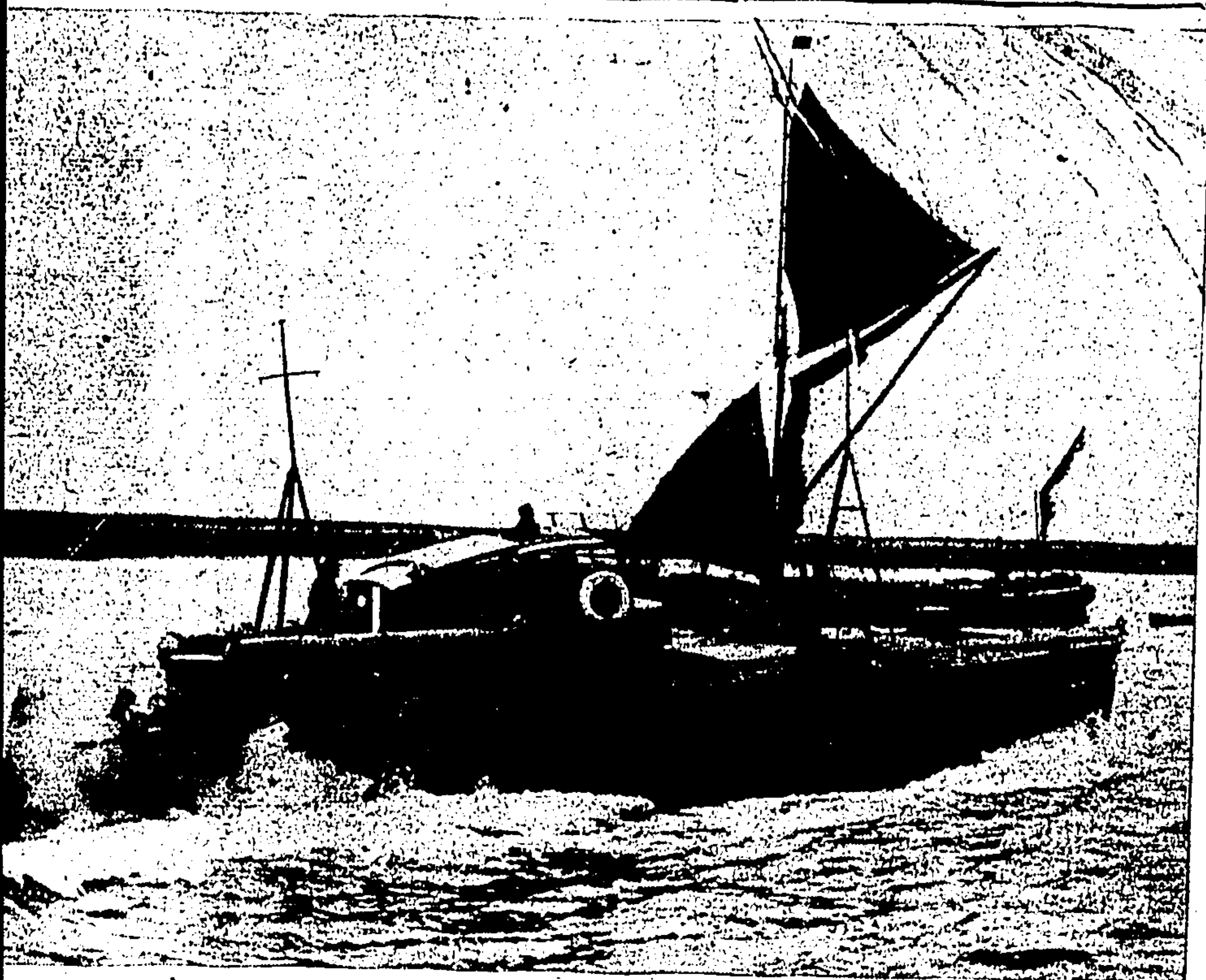
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WORLD'S FIFTH



MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS FOR THE PHILIPPINES.—A new type of motor torpedo boat, the patrol of the Defence Department of the Philippines, was demonstrated on the Thames other day. It is 65 ft. long, carries two torpedoes, depth charges and light anti-aircraft speed of about forty knots. Photo shows. The new motor boat passing a Thames barge.

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With a large, well-trained and well-equipped army, Poland's only potential difficulty is that of supplies in wartime. Her Baltic coastline might easily be overrun in the first few days, and the alternative route via the Rumanian Black Sea ports is lengthy and precarious. Yet Poland can be self-supporting to a considerable extent. Her difficulties are based on the fact that her native supplies of metals and coal are largely drawn from Upper Silesia, which is adjacent to the German frontier.

The problem has been tackled with foresight and energy. The French loan of £25,000,000 two years ago has achieved remarkable results. While other countries talk of five-year plans, the Polish Press and Polish conversation re-echo with the continual mention of "C.O.P."

The initials stand for "Centralny Okreg Przemyslowy," or the Central Industrial Area. In a triangle within the confluence of the rivers Vistula and San, about the town of Sandomierz, has been created a new industrial development. Existing towns and villages have increased their population by thousands per cent. One new town of 30,000 inhabitants sprang up within a year! Already dozens of giant factories are in production. Considerable reserve stocks of essential commodities have been accumulated. The mountain streams of the Carpathians to the south yield abundant power. There is even a direct supply of "earth gas" from the Polish oilfields.

Thus the overwhelming bogey of the Polish high command has been laid. Even if the factories and mines of Upper Silesia were overrun or destroyed in the first days of war, Poland

would no longer be crippled. She could carry on under her own resources until outside help could come by roundabout routes, or direct from Russia.

It would be a fatal mistake on the part of a potential enemy to underestimate the strength of Poland. Its people have a natural courage, like all the Slav races; unlike some, they have an adequate self-confidence, not even dimmed by their geography—with no strong frontiers and sandwiched between two powerful nations. Their patriotism is intense and can only be compared with that of the Irish.

UNITING THE MINORITIES

Poland's weakness lies in her minorities—one-third of the population is non-Polish. There are nearly 900,000 Germans in Poland (and a larger number of Poles in Germany), but apart from these the 3,250,000 Jews, 5,000,000 Ukrainians and 2,000,000 Russians are likely to rally against any threat from Germany—a remarkable unifier. It is significant that the Ukrainians shows not the slightest enthusiasm for the Greater Ukraine envisaged by Hitler—as a puppet State to Germany.

Of the temper of Poland there can be no doubt. If her territory is invaded, she fights. There are outstanding questions which could be settled along lines of reason, but not by ultimatum. Even the problem of Danzig is by no means insoluble.

The question of the Polish Corridor comes under a different category. The Corridor is far from being the popular conception of an artificial creation merely designed to give Poland an outlet to the sea: it is an historic Polish province, seized by Russia by force in 1772, but always inhabited largely by Poles. To-day it is actually the most Polish district in Poland. It houses the port of Gdynia, the first achievement of the resurrected Poland, a source of great pride; and it would be defended at all costs by the Poles.

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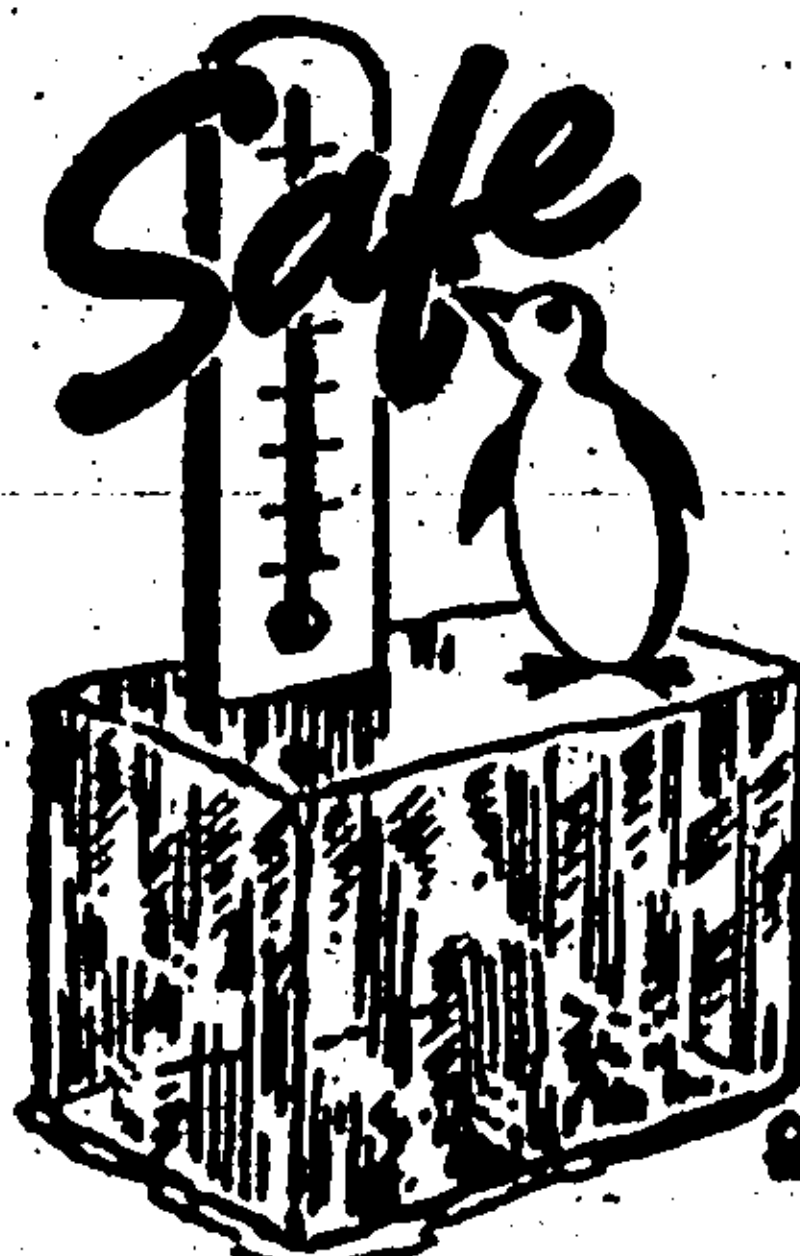
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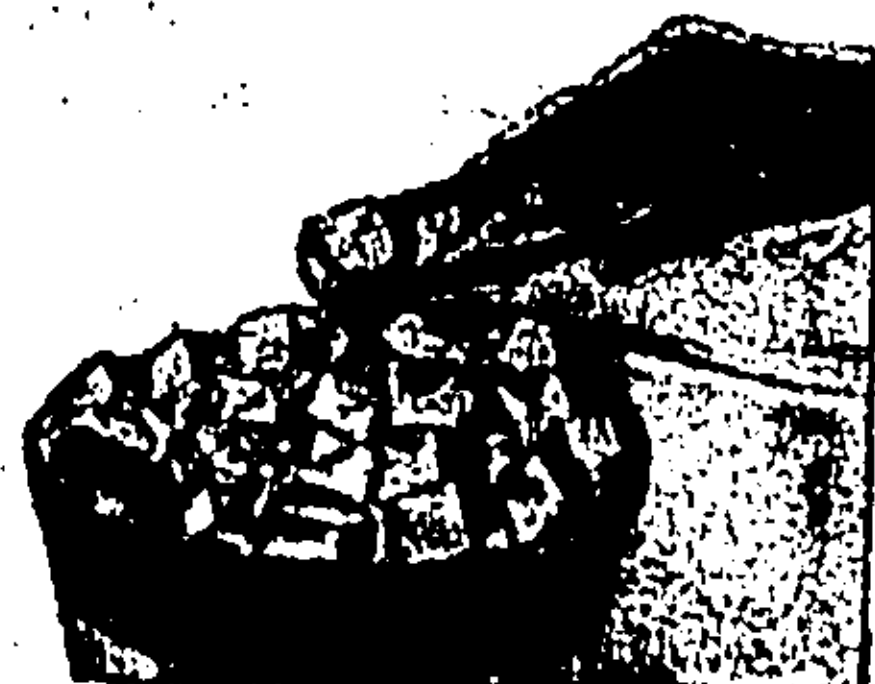
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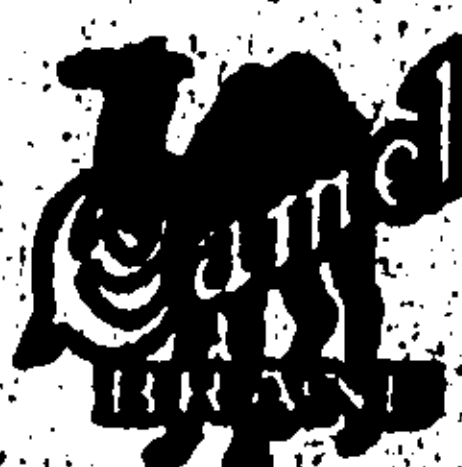
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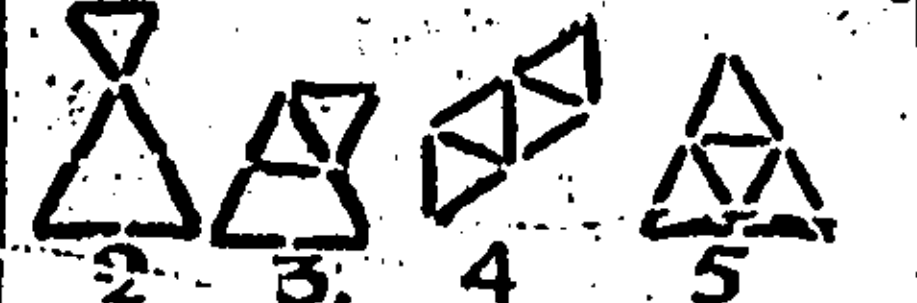
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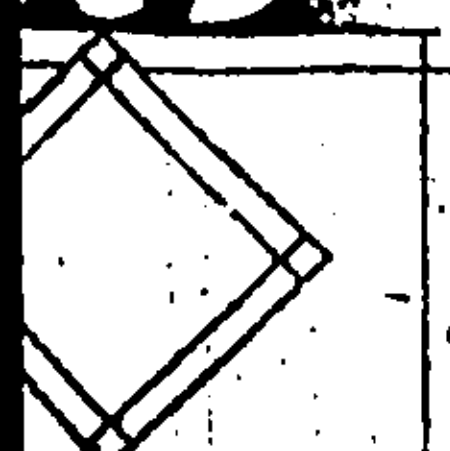
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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

Make up your mind this day not to permit any feeling of dejection to handicap you in your work. With indications that this should be one of your lucky days, you can face the world with a smile and feel confident that things are developing advantageously for you. Radical measures ought not to be resorted to, unless you are thoroughly convinced that they are the only ones that can be used. Threats will fail where appeals to justice, sympathy and good sportsmanship are apt to succeed. It will be poor judgment to sign any paper or document without first reading it carefully, no matter how much confidence you have in the person requesting your signature. Too many temptations will prevail this day for furthering selfish, ulterior motives, to jeopardize your interests by being careless in any business transaction. Married and engaged couples, and those whose romance appears likely to terminate in marriage, might do well to keep constantly in mind that 'comparisons are odious', and refrain from making any.

If a woman and May 16 is your birthday, you are probably more intellectual than the average person will admit, due to your appearing to be of a rather vivacious nature. You ought to be quite a diplomat and popular socially. You may wield a great deal of influence over people by winning their esteem and affection. By some stroke of good fortune, you might become the possessor of a large income. As a professional entertainer, dancer, lecturer, musician, model, artist, sales representative or author, your



opportunities to make money might be unlimited. Home comforts, great love and much happiness are rightfully yours through marriage.

The child born on May 16, usually has an exceptionally appreciative disposition. Ambition is likely to make this youngster grasp every opportunity that will help advance it socially or financially.

SUBSTITUTE FOR OIL

Melted butter is a good substitute for olive oil in a salad dressing.

For Daytime Charm

Isn't this a charming day frock? Much too pretty to spend its life entirely in the house! You'll enjoy having it in tailored silks and street cottons, as well as in such household materials as sunfast calico, gingham and percale. The silhouette is extremely flattering, because the bodice is gathered onto a yoke and blouses at the waistline, and the skirt is full at the hem and very slim and slick over the hips.

DELICIOUS SWEET

Mix 1oz. gelatine with a quart of milk and add 1 pint of cream. Heat, but do not boil, or milk will curdle.

Beat egg-yolks well and pour hot milk over, then place on fire and stir till custard thickens (being careful not to bring too close to boiling), pour into a basin and stir in 6oz. of sugar and 2oz. sweet biscuits. Put aside till cold.

When cold whip up 4 egg-whites and fold into mixture, add 1oz. ground or chopped almonds, 2oz. cherries, 2oz. currants, 1oz. raisins, and any other fruit desired, finely chopped. Put into refrigerator. When half frozen, stir mixture to distribute fruit.

This needs a very cold temperature in the refrigerator. If you feel you can't get a low temperature use more gelatine. This proportion of 1 dessert-spoon to ½ pint of liquid makes a very firm mould and will hold about half a pound of fruit. The quart of milk and pint of cream make a rather large mould, and can be halved.



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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Will Not Recommend Quick Weight Reducers And Hair Dyes

Numerous are the women who write asking me to recommend a hair dye or a weight reducing formula. Although I recognize the very definite problems of obesity and fading hair, I will not recommend a "quick cure" for either. And for this I have a very substantial excuse.

There are some preparations (unfortunately classed as cosmetics) which have the potentiality of doing great harm to the user. Two groups, for instance, may severely damage the eyes. According to Dr. Walter I. Lillie, who has written a most reliable paper on "Cosmetics Detrimental to Vision," we, as women, should be wary of (1) weight-reducing preparations, (2) hair dyes.

Let me state at once that not all products falling into these two classifications are harmful. And I shall also state that not all women may be harmed by those brands quoted as "harmful." But the difficulty is this. Unless you wish to act as the guinea pig, to test such products on yourself, you should refrain from using them.

WEIGHT REDUCERS

"Preparations used for weight reduction usually contain either thyroid extract or dinitrophenol. . . . These taken internally activate the body chiefly through stimulation of the thyroid gland. This gland may become so activated that sight difficulties arise similar to those seen in patients suffering from a toxic goitre. The eyes become prominent and protrude between the eyelids. Corneal ulcers, that do not respond readily to treatment, may progress practically to complete destruction of the tissue . . . which has grave results."

Those words are Dr. Lillie's and he goes on to tell us that another drug which is used in some reducing formulas, is the deadliest of all coal-tar preparations and is toxic to everyone. When this drug is taken internally it produces copious perspiration, warmth, hives and im-

pairment of taste. It may damage the kidneys and heart. It also has a tendency gradually to produce cataracts!

HAIR DYES

Many products used as hair and eyelash dyes contain very harmful compounds. A synthetic anilin dye or amino-compound. Heavy metal, generally lead, mercury or silver. Absorption of these into the body through the scalp, or in external contact with the eyes, may cause complete loss of vision. Other symptoms of dye poisoning may be cramps, paralysis of the extremities, loss of hair, blue gums, colouring of the skin.

So you may readily see why I take the stand I do about weight reducers and hair dyes. I am most



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willing to tell you how to keep your hair from fading, and how to keep it beautifully alive if it has faded. But I will not tell you what to use to dye it or advise you to dye it.

And if you are a regular reader of this column you know I advocate sane reducing diets (which

nourish you as they slim you) and corrective exercises, to make your figure slim and attractive. Beauty comes with effort. It never comes through a magic formula. So keep your health, your sight and add years to your life by acquiring beauty sanely!

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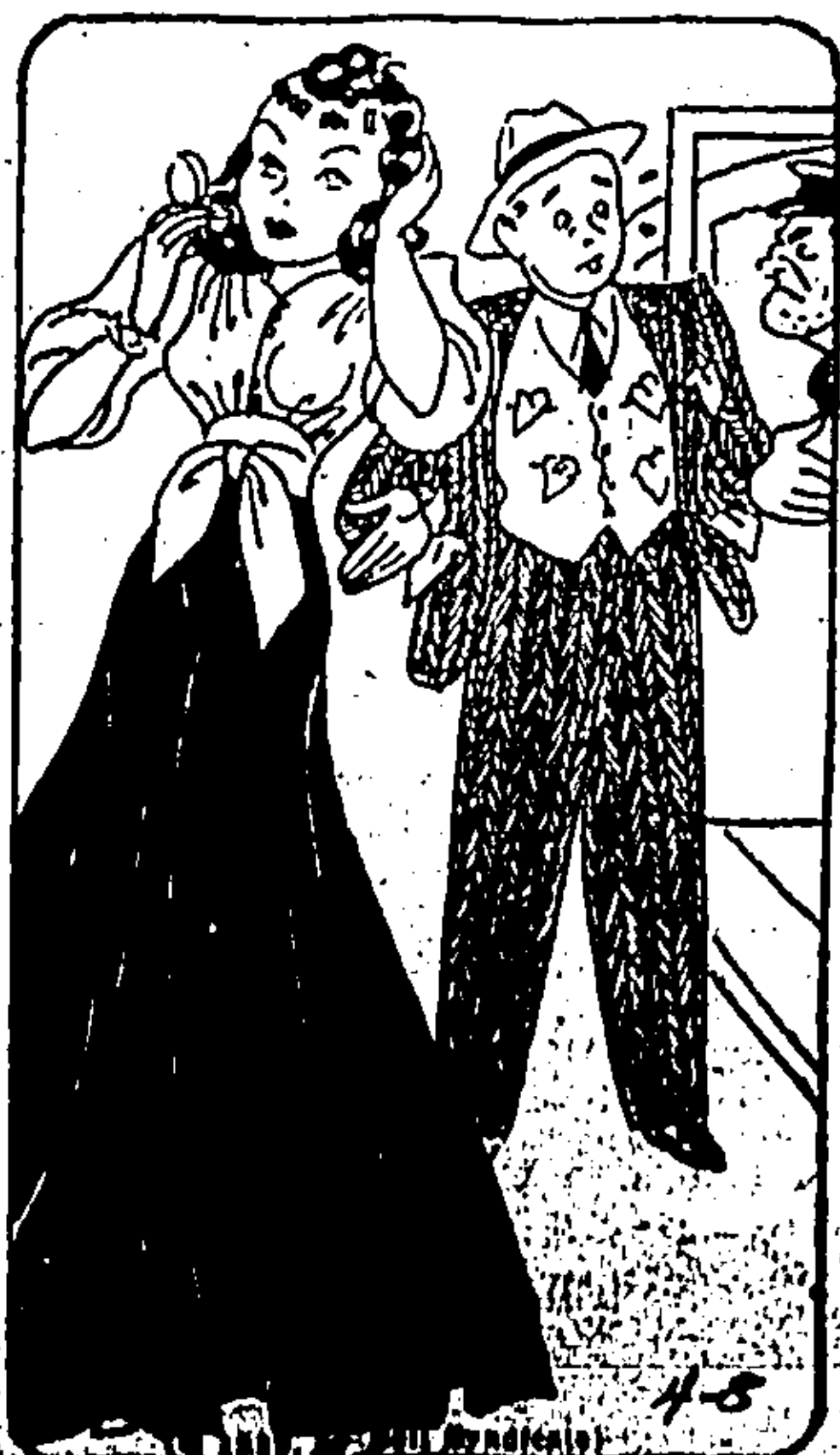
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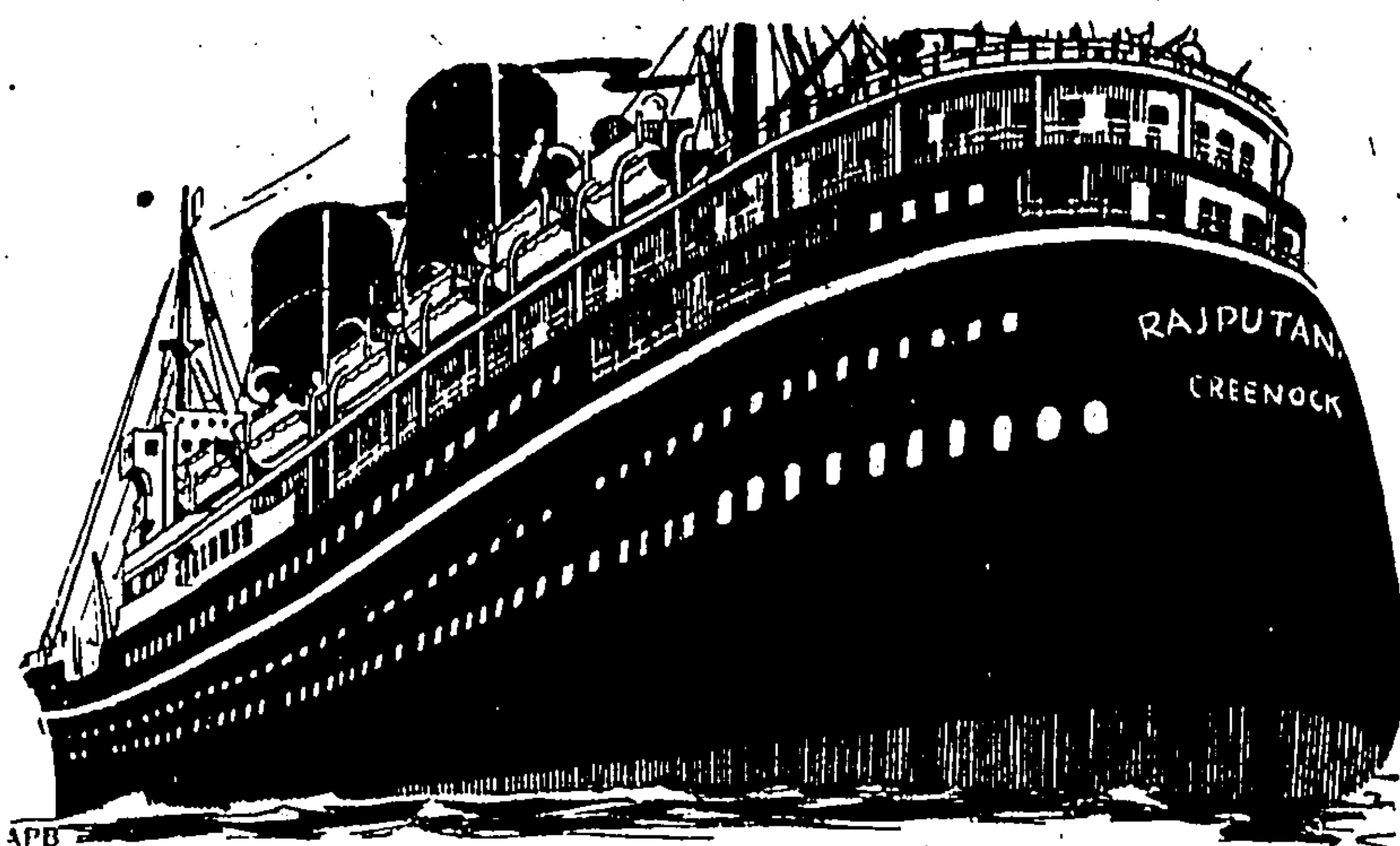
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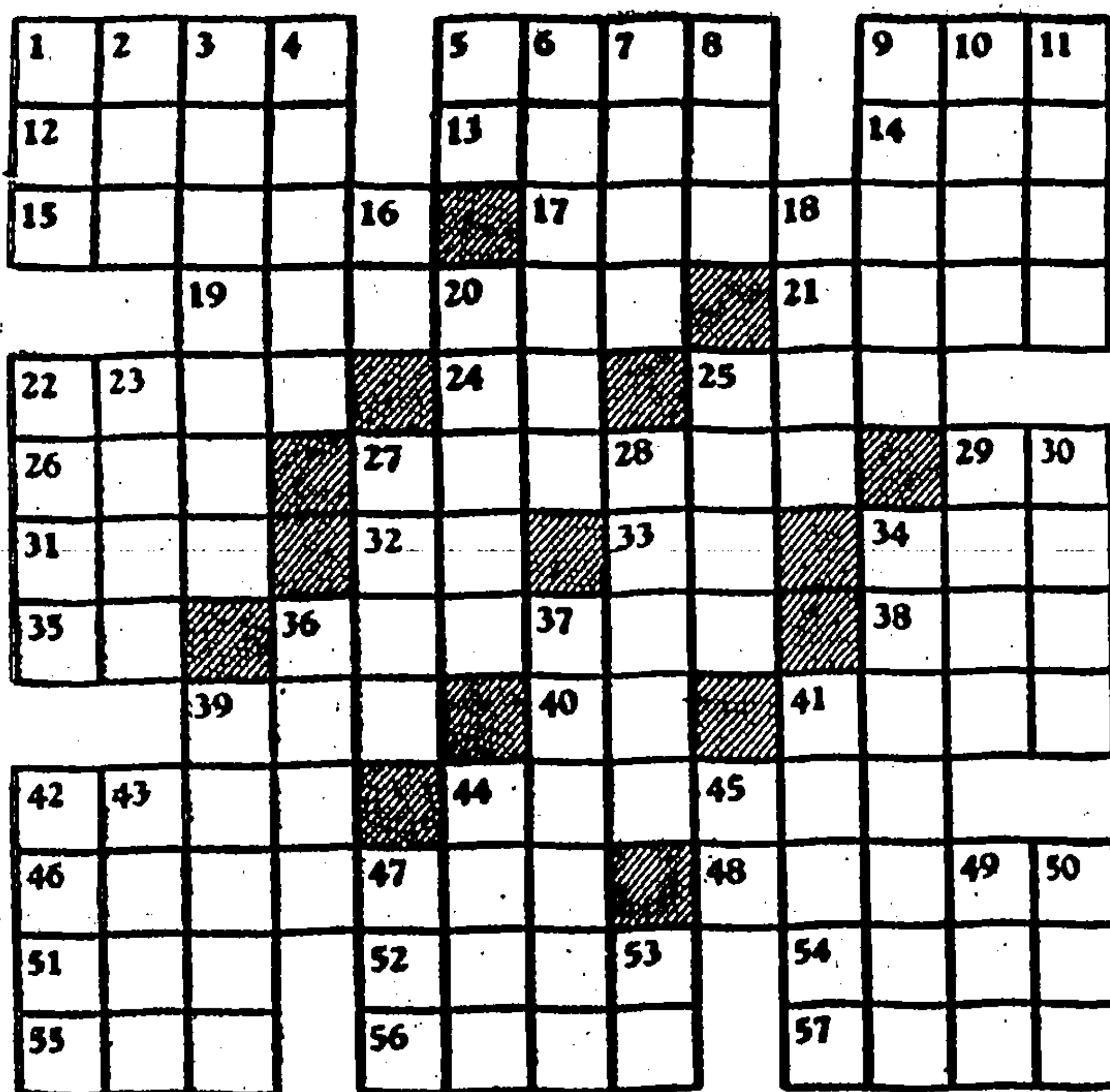
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- 5 Go by
- 9 Rug
- 12 Hawaiian island
- 13 Oil: combining form
- 14 Island: French
- 15 God of poetry (myth.)
- 17 Crushing instruments
- 19 Boat propelled by three rowers
- 21 Pieces out
- 22 Scorch
- 24 Ocean (abbr.)
- 25 Twenty four hours
- 26 Nickname
- 27 Condemns
- 29 Chinese weight
- 31 Number
- 32 Behold
- 33 Diminutive suffix
- 34 Negative
- 35 While
- 36 Pageant
- 38 Hole in one
- 39 To test
- 40 Note of scale
- 41 To decorate
- 42 Conjunction

VERTICAL

- 1 To cry
- 44 Cloth maker
- 46 Executioners
- 48 Abreast of
- 51 Queer
- 52 Mountain range
- 54 Distinctive jacket
- 55 Things in law
- 56 Flat table-land
- 57 Evens (contraction)

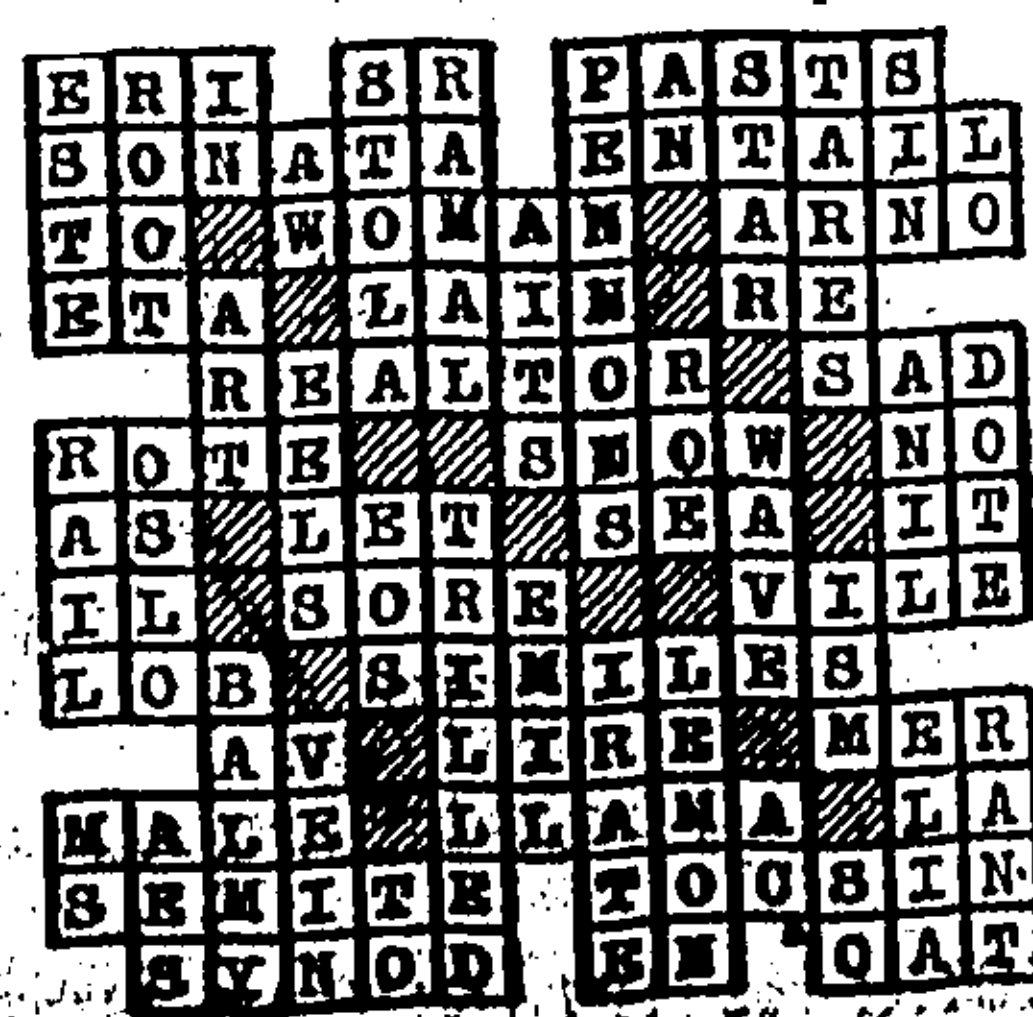
10 Swiss river

- 3 An enigma
- 4 Sweet substance
- 5 River in Italy
- 6 S. American ruminant
- 7 Observed
- 8 Code-signal for help
- 9 Containing milk
- 10 Sheltered side

11 Girl's nickname

- 16 Within
- 18 Parties
- 20 Sadness
- 22 Portico
- 24 Periods of time
- 25 Distribute
- 27 To bleat
- 28 Jason's enchantress
- 29 Places
- 30 Single entry
- 34 To relate
- 36 Sound of bullet cutting air
- 37 Places of contests
- 39 Polishes with sand-paper
- 41 Indian tent
- 42 Norse god of war
- 43 Lode deviating from vertical
- 44 Form of "to be"
- 45 State (abbr.)
- 47 Silent
- 49 To study
- 50 Type measure (pl.)
- 53 State (abbr.)

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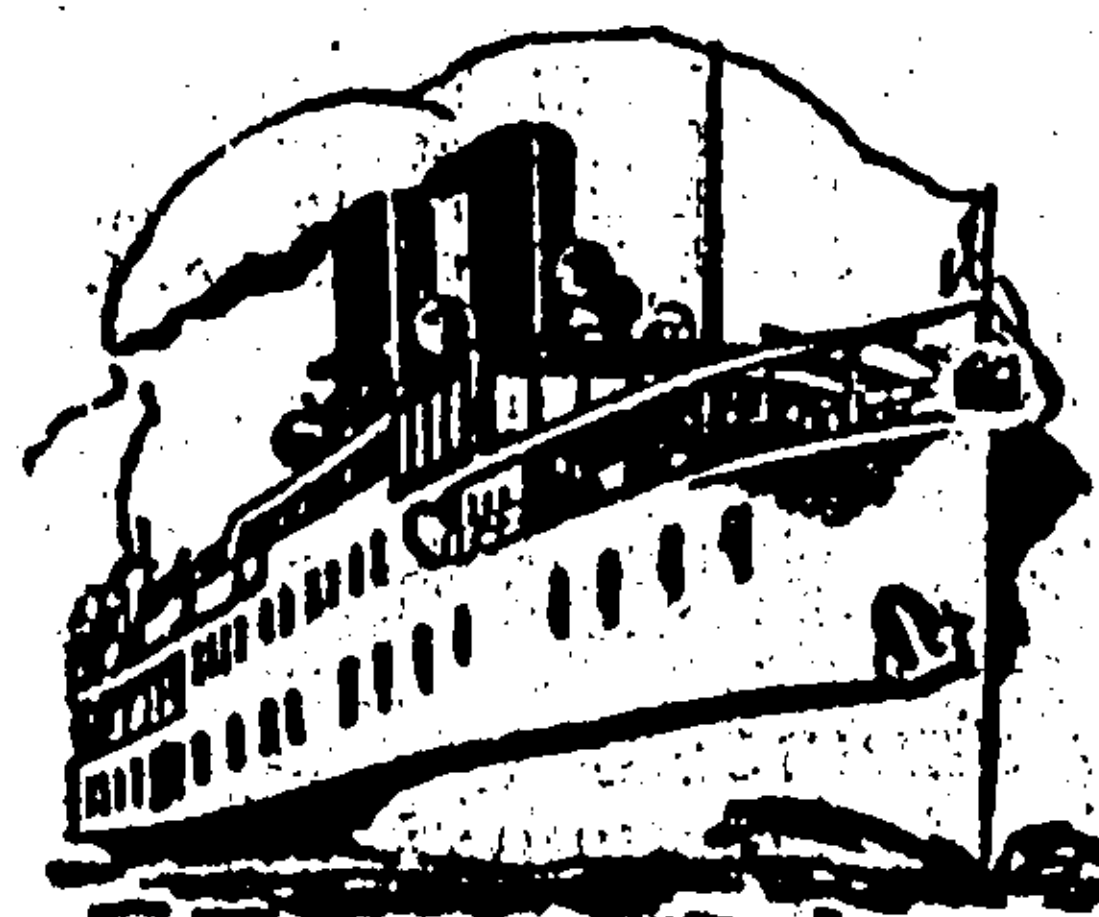
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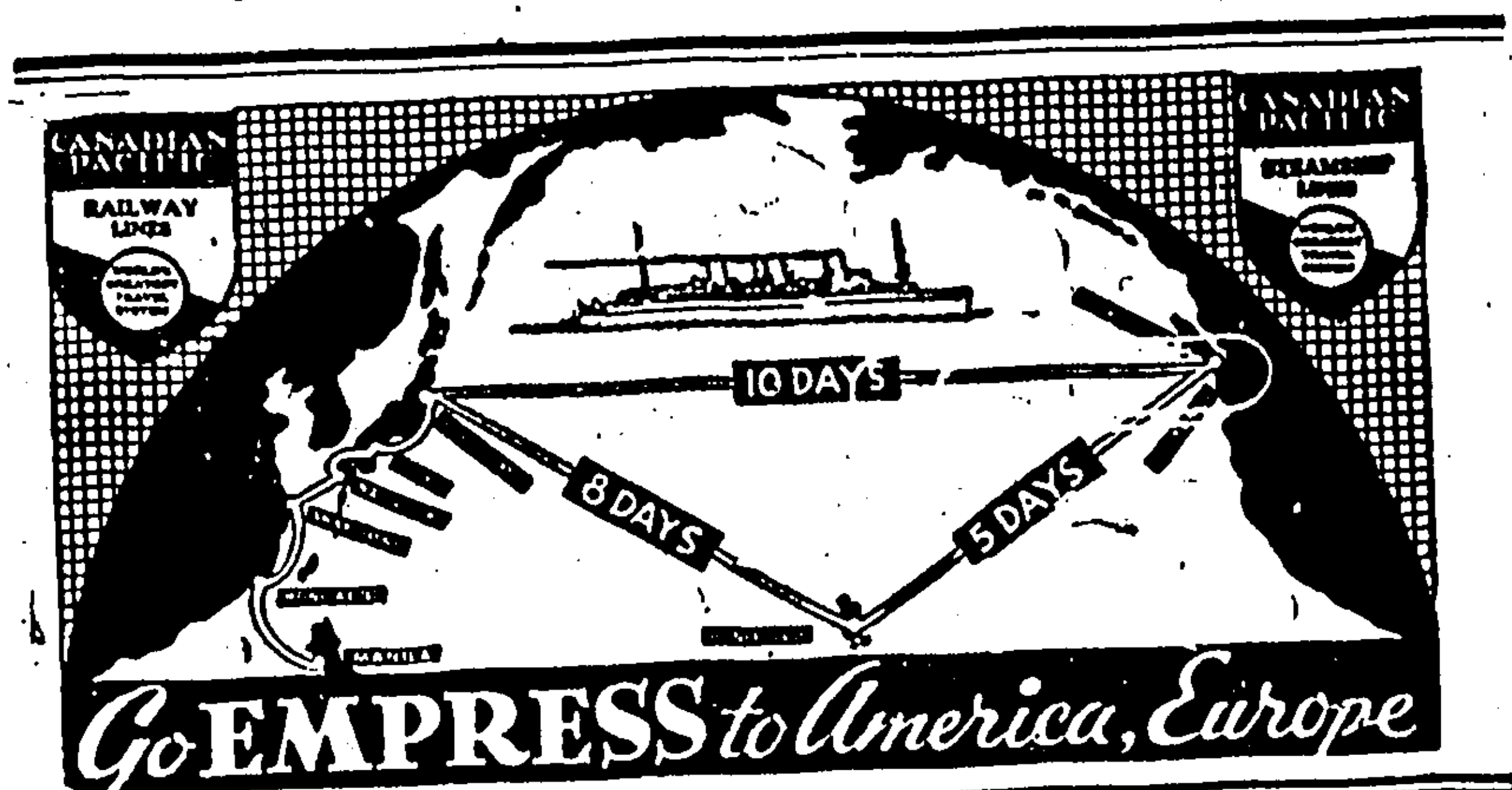
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Quotations of 12 leading Singapore stocks forwarded by Messrs. Ellis and Edgar, May 9.

	Middle Price
Rubber Shares	
Amalgamated Malay Estates Ltd.	\$ 1.40
Kempas Limited	1.60
Kuala Sidim Rubber Co., Ltd.	2.00
Pajam Limited	1.55
Sungei Bagan Rubber Estates Ltd.	1.45
Tapah Rubber Estates Ltd.	1.40
Tin Shares	
Petaling Tin Limited	6.40
Sungei Lias Tin Dredging Ltd.	1.35
Industrials	
Straits Trading Co., Ltd.	25.00
United Engineers Limited (Ordinary)	8.10
Wearne Brothers Limited	13.00
Gold Shares	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	4.45

The above quotation are in Straits dollars.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1350 b.

INSURANCES

H. K. Fire Ins. \$180 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$106 b., \$107 sa.

H. K. Docks \$17½ b., \$17½ sa.

Providents \$480 s., \$4¼ sa.

MINING

Antamoks Ps. 30 sa.

Baguio Gold Ps. 24½ sa.

Benguet Consol. Ps. 11.80 sa.

Coco Grove Ps. 37 sa.

I. X. L. Ps. 53 sa.

Itogons Ps. 23 sa.

North Camarines Ps. 42½ sa.

San Mauricio Ps. 1.06 sa.

United Paracales Ps. 59 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$5.85 s., \$5¼ sa.

H. K. Lands \$34¼ b.

Humphreys \$7.80 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$16½ b., \$16.70/-

Star Ferries \$65¼ b.

China Lights (Old) \$8.40 b.

H. K. Electrics \$56 b., \$56¼ sa.

Macao Electrics \$16.60 b., \$17 s.

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Canton Ices \$1 b.

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Dairy Farms, Ex. Rts. \$21¼ sa.

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Watsons \$8 s., \$8/7.95 sa.

Wing On (H.K.) \$41 b.

MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$6.55 b.

H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 3¼ prem. b.

BOWLS TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon C.C. in their League Bowls matches on Saturday:

FIRST DIVISION

(v. C.S.C.C. away)

V. C. Labrum, J. W. M. Brown, N. Nish and F. Goodwin (skip).
W. Hyde, T. A. Madar, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher (skip).
Geo. Lee, W. Mulcahy, J. Hyde and E. Kern (skip).

INDIAN R. C. RINKS

(v. Recreio (Away))

D. M. Khan, A. M. Wahab, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (skip).
J. Hoosen, S. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu (skip).
A. H. Rumjahn, A. Bakar, A. O. Madar and M. R. Abbas (skip).

Club De Recreio

C. M. Silva, J. F. V. Ribeiro, L. J. Silva and F. X. M. Silva (skip).
J. Luz, A. P. Guterres, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves (skip).
L. F. Xavier, C. E. Marques, J. E. Noronha and C. G. Silva (skip).

Club De Recreio

J. C. Remedios, D. C. Alves, C. R. Pereira and B. Basto (skip).
C. C. Pereira, A. M. Xavier, E. A. Sousa and F. X. Soares (skip).
F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, F. V. V. Ribeiro and J. J. Basto (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

Club De Recreio

M. F. Alarcon, A. Rodrigues, J. R. Soares and O. P. Remedios (skip).
L. Leon, A. F. Noronha, E. M. Remedios and C. M. S. Alves (skip).
J. A. Remedios, C. Vas, F. A. Xavier and C. A. Lopes.

H.K.F.C.

J. S. Howell, E. L. Strange, J. Beach and J. A. R. Selby (skip).
R. P. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, W. J. Reid and A. Brooksbank (skip).
W. Kershaw, G. E. Stephens, L. Lamert and N. Babbington (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

H.K.F.C.

C. G. Sollis, H. G. Wallington, S. Cressey and V. Walker (skip).
F. Anslow, C. H. Needham, J. Ralston and H. H. Pegg (skip).
E. Casey, J. H. Gelling, T. Rowell and J. Russell (skip).

(v. C.C.C. at Home)

W. Naef, A. Madar, A. W. Ramsay and T. W. Carr (skip).
A. C. Tribble, H. J. Smith, G. W. Bowner and W. W. Hirst (skip).
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BERLIN GENERAL TO TOUR SPAIN

GEN. VON KAUPTZ, SAID TO BE AN IMPORTANT BERLIN POLICE OFFICIAL, HAS ARRIVED IN BARCELONA AND WILL LATER VISIT MADRID AND OTHER LARGE SPANISH CITIES.

The object of his tour is said in the Spanish Press to be to "take note of the destruction caused by the Reds." But he will "advise" the Spanish authorities on certain strategic considerations in a possible campaign based on Catalonia.

It is noteworthy that reference is made only on the rarest occasions to the movements of Germans in Spain. They conduct their operations in an essentially unobtrusive manner. Their depots and bases lie long distances from the main roads and are rarely to be seen.

This is in marked contrast to the Italians, whose camps and depots are always blatantly on view. The Italian soldiers off duty always wear uniform: the Germans don civilian clothes whenever they can.

FRONTIER PRECAUTIONS

During his stay in Barcelona, Gen. von Kaupetz will be informed that since the Nationalist forces occupied the city about 35,000 arrests have been made in Barcelona alone. Arrests continue to be made.

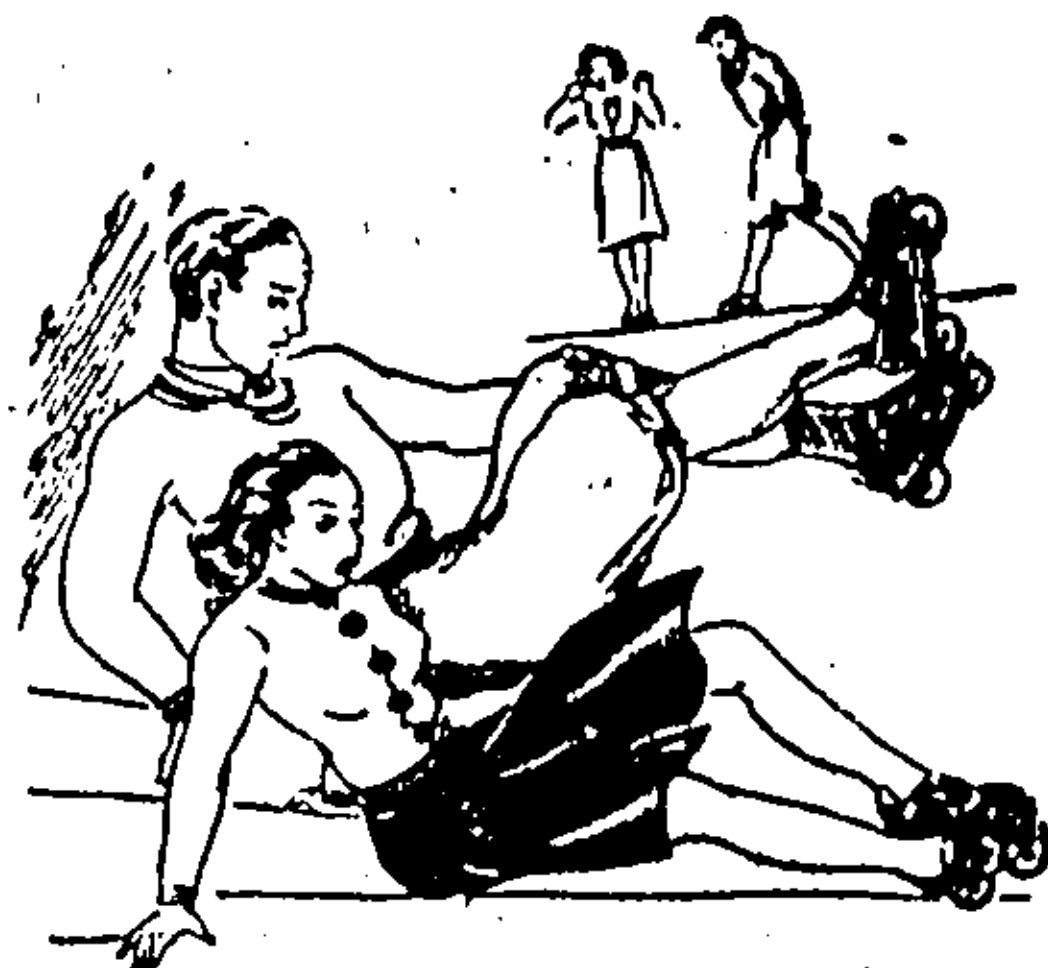
Latest information received by the French authorities indicates that the 15,000 Italian recently landed at Cadiz are still in the neighbourhood of the town. This means that they are in a position to threaten Gibraltar, some 60 miles away.

In the defensive preparations made by the military authorities in the south of France during the past few days particular attention has been paid to the naval and anti-aircraft precautions. Four categories of naval and military reservists have so far been called up.

"ENGLAND DOES NOT NEED DICTATORS"

An answer to those who wish for an English dictator was given by Sir Harold Bellman, president of the Advertising Association, speaking in Manchester.

"In these fateful days," he said, "one is apt to weary of the cry that



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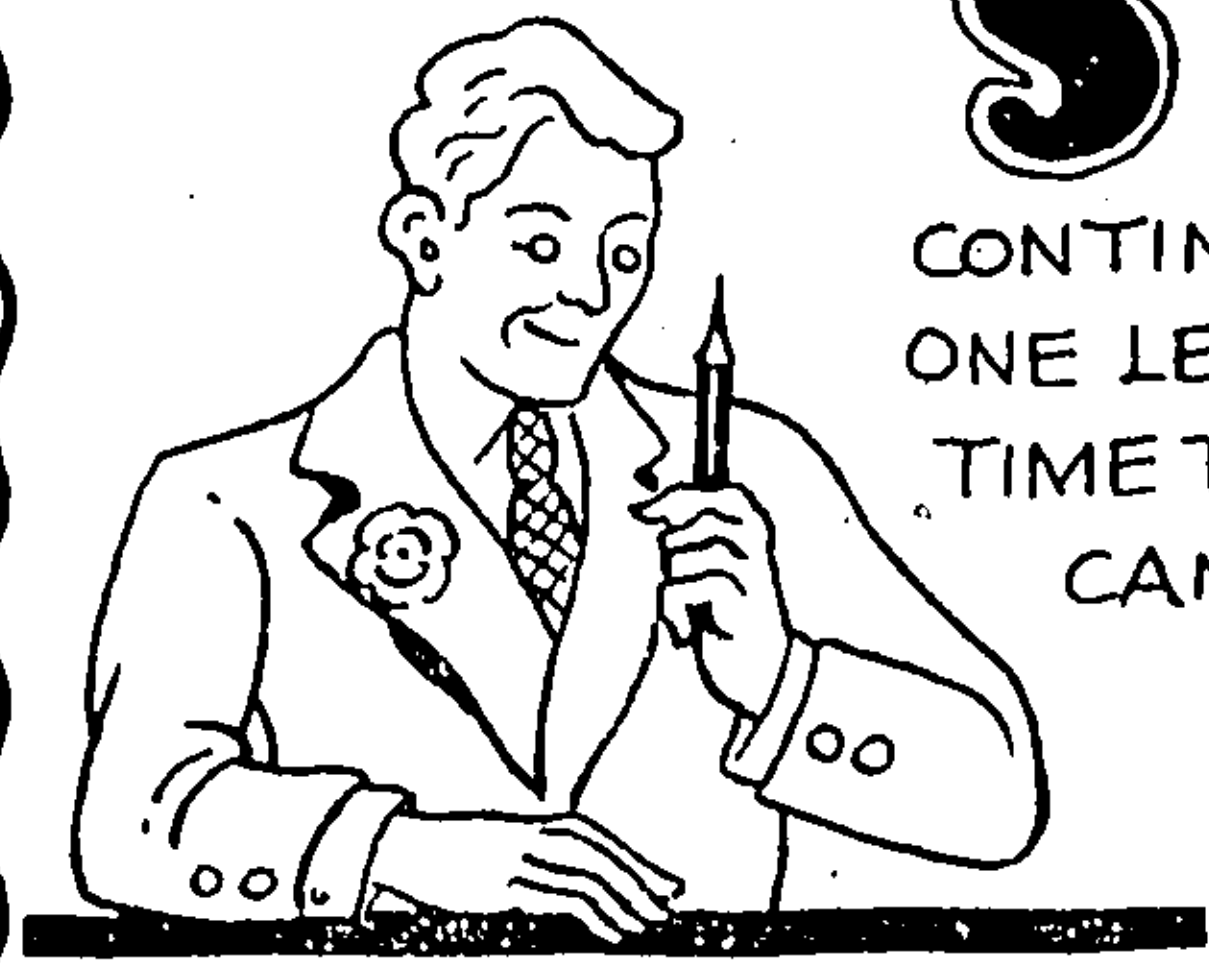
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A.W. NUGENT

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Answer to-morrow:

IL DUCE AGREEABLY SURPRISES

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MUSSOLINI'S STATEMENT THAT NONE OF THE PRESENT UNSOLVED EUROPEAN PROBLEMS NEED LEAD TO WAR, HAS CAUSED "AGREEABLE SURPRISE" IN LONDON POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES.

London interprets this as readiness of the Duce to come to a reconciliation and an arrangement. It is pointed out that this speech

we might get something done if we had some self-appointed divinity—presumably to 'shape our ends, rough hew them how we will.'

"We may well ask: Since when was England the creation of one man, since when was it anything but the creation of the English? If England is going to survive—and none of us has a real doubt of it—it will be by the united efforts of free Englishmen."

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was the first public statement made by the Duce after the conclusion of the Italo-German military alliance.

On the other hand, British political quarters realise that the Duce's speech confirms Italy's determination to back up Germany in the Polish question.

PRESS DOUBTS

The London press comments show satisfaction intermingled with doubts.

Most of the papers are indignant that the Duce accused the Democracies of a "White War," aiming at crippling the axis partners economically.

The "Daily Express" states the speech on the whole was peaceful and encouraging to those believing in the maintenance of peace in Europe.

The "Daily Mail" alleges Mussolini's speech was inconsequential. The paper wants to know whether the Duce in saying no present European problem justified war, had in mind Danzig or his own conflict with France. — Trans-Ocean.

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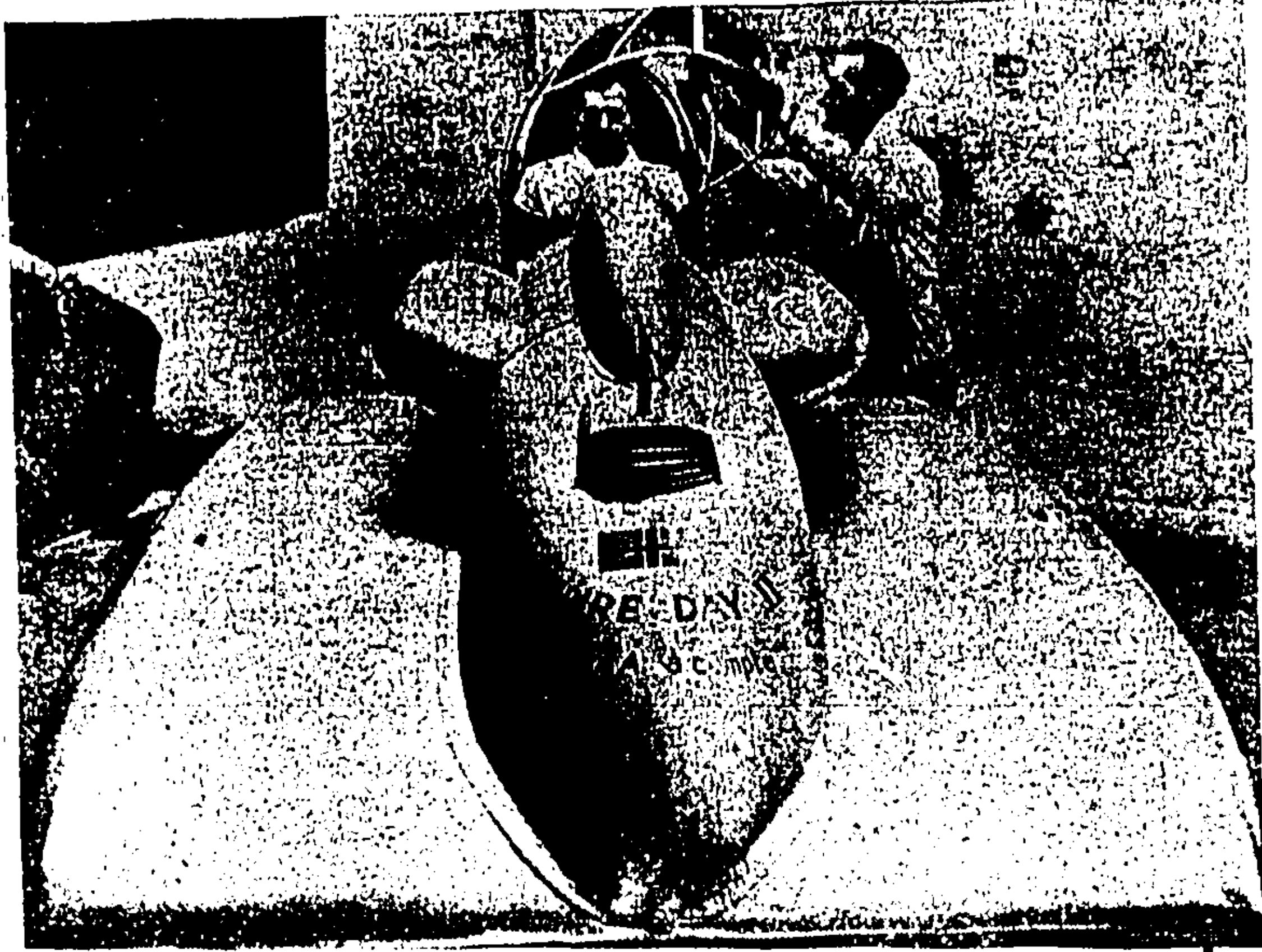
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Mr. Edward Spurr, 31-year-old Englishman, has built a new \$10,000 "Empire Day 11" speedboat to compete against Sir Malcolm Campbell and Count Theo Rossi in a needle match this Summer for the world water speed record. Sir Malcolm is planning to improve on his own world record and is building a new Bluebird. Count Rossi is building a speedboat with the help of the Italian Government. Our photograph shows an assistant fitting the cockpit cover over Mr. Spurr as he sits in "Empire Day 11." (Copyright, Fox).

PIGEON RACING

D.M. XAVIER SUCCESSFUL IN SECOND TRIAL: BARTON'S HEN CLOCKS IN SECOND

(By "HOMER")

Members of the newly-formed Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Club had another successful day on Sunday when they met together at Kowloon-Canton Railway Station for their second trial flight of Racing Pigeons.

The route chosen on this occasion started from a point at FANLING, in the New Territories, over a distance of 30 miles from the nearest loft at Kowloon.

A number of spectators were present at the Station to witness the conveyance of the Birds to Fanling and they were greatly impressed by the birds, many varieties of which, having never been seen in Hong Kong.

A large regulation racing-basket as used by the National Homing Union at Home and capable of holding 50 birds, was available to members on this occasion, and no difficulty was experienced in accommodating all birds.

Some 50 were taken to Fanling by the 10 a.m. train in the care of the Club's President, Mr. J. T. K. Gilchrist, who also kept Members informed by telephone of the time of liberation.

FIRST RELEASE

At 11.04 a.m., the first release was made and all birds were completely cleared by 11.10 a.m. Members of the Club, waited at their respective lofts to check in the return of their birds. This was accomplished with no difficulty although the times returned were not up to expectations.

Generally speaking, however, results were satisfactory, a Milly cock owned by D. M. Xavier being the first bird to return, timing in at 12.15 p.m.

Second to return was a young light blue hen, the property of B. Barton, which timed in at 12.43 p.m.

A feature of the flight was an entry by Mr. H. A. Castro, the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Club, Mr. Castro entered six birds and all returned home together in one group at 1.50 p.m., followed by Mr. Siu Chiu Kee's strain of two birds which also returned together at 2.55 p.m.

A few birds were reported not to have returned at a late hour on Sunday, but these set backs have in no way dampened the spirit of their owners, who are all sanguine of their safe return in due course.

In this connection, I would

of local sportsmen to these birds when they are out shooting in the Territories.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Flights at present are in the experimental stage but the organisers hope to hold similar flights in the near future over longer courses for silver trophies.

Meanwhile, weather permitting, a further trial flight will be held next Sunday from Un Long. Members are asked to meet at Kowloon Railway Station at 10 a.m.

DAVIS CUP

YUGO-SLAVIA THROUGH

Budapest, To-day.

Yugo-Slavia won her Davis Cup contest against Hungary yesterday by 4 matches to 1.

Yugo-Slavia won the last two singles matches, Puncer beating Gabory 6-1, 6-1 and 6-4, and Mitic defeating Asboth 9-7, 2-6, 10-8, 6-3.

Yugo-Slavia now meets Italy in the third round.—Trans-Ocean.

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Army Sportlight

(By "SQUADDY")

THE Small Units Cricket competition was won last week by 27 Company, R.A.M.C. who defeated 'B' Company, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment. This brings the cricket season practically to a close.

The game was notable for a brilliant 96 scored by Cpl. Webb of the Medicals. Webb has played some good cricket in his time, having represented the Army in Egypt, which is no mean feat, but this knock must have been one of his best. The last couple of seasons have not been too kind to him and it was good to see him get back into form at such an opportune moment.

R.A.M.C. were by far the strongest of the Small Units this year and had no difficulty in getting into the final. Much thanks is due to Major Harvey and Major Swyres, who with their abundant keenness and steady play have done a lot for the Unit's cricket.

TERRIFYING ACTION

Major Harvey is a bowler who terrifies the batsman with his antics during his run up to the wicket and although Major Swyres is firstly a batsman, he can also send down a useful over or two.

By far the steadiest bowler in the Medicals eleven is Cpl. Wyre, who can bowl all afternoon and rarely send up a loose one. His chief aim is to keep down the runs whilst the others take most of the wickets, but on his day can take a few himself. Besides his powers as a batsman, Corporal Webb is also a googly merchant with the ball as many over confident batsmen have found to their cost.

COUNTY CRICKETER FOR H.K.

Whilst on the subject of cricket I must mention that a really first class cricketer will shortly arrive in the Colony. He is Captain D. C. E. Grose, of the Royal Engineers, who will shortly join the 22nd Company, R.E.

Captain Grose played for the Army in 1926 and 1927 and has also played for Kent in the County Championship at home. He will probably take charge of the Engineers' Cricket and should give a lot of confidence to the side.

SCOTS' WATER-POLO

Royal Scots have started practice at Water Polo and are gradually whipping quite a useful side into shape. Their goalkeeper will again be Bankier who kept for them last season. In fact Bankier plays goal at Football, Hockey and Water Polo so has claim to being something of an all rounder.

If he can reproduce last year's form, he should stand an excellent chance of appearing in goal for any Army sides this season. His anticipation is keen and his handling sure whilst he knows what to do with the ball after saving, an asset that many water polo keepers lack.

The backs will be L/Sgt. Pursey and Bandmaster Jordan. There is no doubt that Sgt. Pursey will be fit as he is a P. T. instructor and will last the pace. Bandmaster Jordan is a steady defender and takes a lot of getting round.

At centre half, Slater will probably fill the bill and no better choice can be made as he knows the game and is a good swimmer. Lieutenant Buchanan, who leads the attack, lacks a few inches, but makes up for it by excellent positioning and can always

be found making a beeline for any vacant space in the bath.

Sutherland, the outside right, is a useful chap to have in the team, being very quick on the uptake and quick to seize any opportunity that offers. Outside left will probably be Massey, although there are several contenders for the position. To date he looks the most likely to win his place.

AN OPPORTUNITY

Y.M.C.A., by offering Service players the opportunity to join their water polo section, have given a great chance to the Army. Several units, who are unlucky enough to be short of players to make up a team, will be helped out by this offer.

If they do not play in the teams it will nevertheless be a great chance to learn the rules properly and I believe the Instructor will be a good one. Many games were lost last season through teams not being fully acquainted with the rules, but provided this opportunity is taken full advantage of, this should be eliminated to a large extent.

LAND LEAVING

L/Sgt. Land of the R.E.'s will be leaving for home next month. He leaves a great record behind him in the Colony and has won almost every Athletic event he has entered for since he has been here. Everyone will join in wishing him as much success at his next station.

HOME CRICKET

Goddard's Brilliant Bowling

Thanks to brilliant bowling by T. W. Goddard, who returned some really brilliant figures in the course of the match, Gloucester beat Worcester at Bristol in two days, by three wickets.

It was a bowlers' match throughout. Worcester were dismissed for 149 and 105, Goddard taking 16 wickets in the two innings for 99, and Gloucester, after securing a narrow lead of 16 runs on the first innings, lost seven wickets for 90 before winning. Perks took five of the wickets to fall for 44.

Worcester—149 (Goddard 9 for 55) and 105 (Goddard 7 for 44). Gloucester—165 (Howorth 6 for 45) and 90 for 7. (Perks 5 for 44).

GOLF DRAW

HAPPY VALLEY SUMMER SINGLES

The following is the draw for the Happy Valley Summer singles golf competition of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club:—

BYE

H. N. Williamson (10). FIRST ROUND C. E. Moore (14) v W. Ahern (9). J. W. Mayhew (8) v Col. Matthews (12).

V. S. Ebbage (18) v Surg. Lt. Comdr. Nicholson (8).

A. J. Dennis (9) v E. Tuck (14). W. Hewitt (13) v W. H. Jowit (12).

G. Davis (12) v Hugh Smith (8). N. J. Booker (13) v G. E. Willerton (12).

F. Buckle (12) v A. D. Humphreys (9).

S. F. Chubb (15) v A. J. Macfayden (18).

T. Low (10) v W. S. Hillier (8). C. M. Stark (9) v G. T. May (13).

J. W. Macdonald (7) v K. S. Robertson (4).

J. Forbes (9) v A. McKellar (6). W. F. Barnes (10) v G. W. Reeve (18).

BYE

A. L. Powell (18).

TENNIS

CLUB WILL EXTEND MOST
LEAGUE TEAMS

COLONY DOUBLES FINALISTS—will appear for C.R.C. in the League.

DAVIS CUP PLAYERS
TWO-DAY EXHIBITION

(By "ADREM")

Programme for the visit of the two Philippines Davis Cup players, A. Sanchez, P. I. National Champion, and F. Ampon, ranking player, who are due here to-morrow, has now been announced.

The visitors will be opposed to all leading exponents of the game in the Colony and the H.K.L.T.A. are to be congratulated on the excellence of the arrangement of the programme.

In addition to the Tsui brothers, the doubles runners-up, Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing, and the Rum-jahn cousins, all of whom can be relied upon to attract a crowd, W. A. H. Duff and L. Goldman, who created such a favourable impression in their first public appearance as a doubles team on Saturday, will appear on the first day.

Although there is little doubt that under conditions with which they are familiar, the Philippines players would probably be a good deal too good for our local champions, on our Stand Court and under local conditions, they are not likely to be nearly so effective.

It will therefore occasion me no surprise if Hong Kong players emerge from the series of matches with a very creditable record.

I fully expect Tsui Wai-pui to

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

C.R.C. Should
Be Tested

Most interesting match in the "B" Division of the Tennis League will be played at King's Park this afternoon, when Recreio entertain Chinese Recreation Club.

C.R.C. are likely to have the services of that very seasoned pair, Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheong, as well as two other very well-balanced combinations, and they should win.

Recreio can be relied upon to give them a good fight, however, and should extend them quite considerably.

Match between Hong Kong Cricket Club and Kowloon Indians should also be fairly even with very little in it at the finish.

The other matches should result in easy victories for Craigengower and South China. The last-named team are making no secret of the

PROGRAMME.

TO-MORROW

- A. Sanchez and F. Ampon v. Tsui brothers.
F. Ampon v. Tsui Yan-pui.
A. Sanchez and F. Ampon v. W. A. H. Duff and L. Goldman.
THURSDAY
A. Sanchez and F. Ampon v. Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing.
A. Sanchez v. Tsui Wai-pui.
A. Sanchez and F. Ampon v. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn.

beat Sanchez, although Ampon, a great fighter and a dour player, should get the better of Tsui Yan-pui.

All the doubles matches should be fast and interesting.

First match will start at 4 p.m. on each day and prices of admission are \$1 for the Stand, and 50 cents for the seats opposite the stand.

fact that they hope to win this Division this season and their performance this afternoon should provide an interesting pointer as to their strength.

The following are the Tennis League fixtures for the week:—

TO-DAY	
"B" Division	
C.C.C.	v K.C.C. (B)
C.D.R.	v C.R.C.
C.S.C.C.	v S.C.A.A.
H.K.C.C.	v K.I.T.C.
TO-MORROW	
"C" Division	
C.C.C.	v C.B.A.
C.R.C.	v K.T.G.C.A.
C.D.R.	v S.C.A.A.
R.P.S.C.	v I.R.C.
THURSDAY	
"D" Division (I)	
K.T.G.C.A.	v I.R.C. (B)
K.D.R.C.	v K.C.C.
Y.M.C.A.	v K.I.T.C.
"D" Division (II)	
I.R.C. (A)	v C.R.C.
C.D.R.	v S.C.A.A.
R.P.S.C.	v C.S.C.C.
FRIDAY	
Mixed Doubles	
K.C.C. (B)	v C.R.C.
U.S.R.C.	v C.D.R.
H.K.C.C.	v K.C.C. (A)

Much too good for K.C.C.
WELL-BALANCED RECREIO
DEFEAT SOUTH CHINA

CONTRARY to expectations, Hong Kong Cricket Club opened their League Tennis season with an overwhelming win over Kowloon Cricket Club by 7 sets to 2 in the "A" Division at Chater Road yesterday.

Strengthened by the inclusion of W. A. H. "Stick" Duff and L. Goldman, the latter after a long period of service with U.S.R.C., Club played a winning game throughout, being 3-0 in the lead at the end of the first round and 5-1 at the second.

Duff and Goldman are more than likely to beat any combination in the Colony over one set, including the Tsui brothers, so that only two more sets are required from the remaining six sets for a Club victory, and it will cause no surprise if they end up the season in the runners-up position to C.R.C., providing of course they are able to retain yesterday's line-up throughout.

Pearce and Sander make an excellent pair, the former's fine forehand and crisp volleying laying the foundation for many net coups. Sander is very accurate on the forehand, but his overhead, backhand and volley could be greatly improved. Armstrong and Garrard are a weak link, and it is possible that the introduction of J. J. Ferguson and E. Storey would strengthen the side. Armstrong is very flashy and Garrard, a newcomer, lacks the initiative for "A" grade tennis.

Ernie Fincher Missed

Teddy Fincher badly missed his brother's cannon ball service and aggressive overhead play, and as a result his own display was below standard. Never having played in a match with Burnett, who gave a very indifferent display, he was forced to take shots that normally he would have left to his brother, and the result was that his confidence was seriously undermined. Leading Pearce and Sander 5-2, this K.C.C. pair were fortunate to win 7-5.

Gray, who has generally played with Burnett, fared poorly with Grose, who lacked sting in his shots, while Guest and Crawford, who played together last season, have seldom given a worse display—they won only two games during three sets!

K.C.C. will be strengthened by the inclusion of Donald Anderson, who was unavailable yesterday, in place of Grose, but even then they cannot hope to make their presence felt to any great extent.

Scores:
W. A. H. Duff and L. Goldman (H.K.C.C.) beat E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett 6-2
beat A. E. P. Guest and A. Crawford 6-0
beat S. A. Gray and F. Grose 6-2
T. A. Pearce and W. Sander (H.K.C.C.) lost to Fincher and Burnett 5-7
beat Guest and Crawford 6-1
beat Gray and Grose 6-3

RECREIO'S BALANCE
CARRIES THEM
THROUGH

It was the fine balance of Recreio which carried them through against South China at King's Park. The score was 5½ — 3½ but competition was always keen and there was never very much in it.

Recreio were without John Gon-salves, who is on the injured list, and his place was very ably taken by A. M. Rodrigues, who partnered A. V. Remedios to draw two sets and win the third.

Actually, it was Recreio's seemingly strongest pair, A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios, who played so well together in the Open Tournament, which met with least success. They only managed to win 1½ sets in the afternoon.

South China were perhaps a trifle unfortunate to lose and there is little doubt that as they play together more, they will improve progressively.

C.R.C. MATCH POSTPONED

The match between C.R.C. and University was postponed on the instigation of the latter team.

RECREIO v SOUTH CHINA A.A.

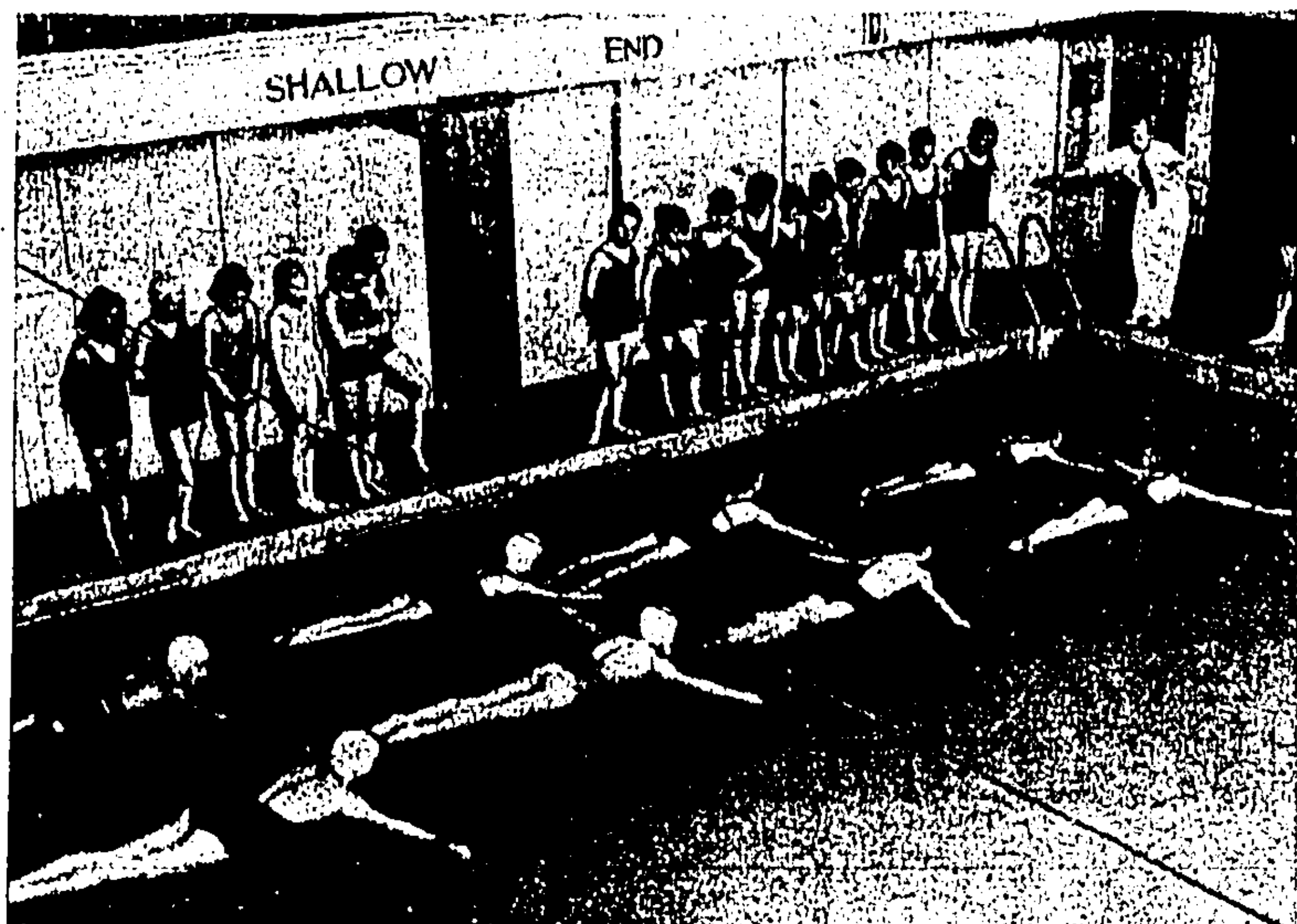
At King's Park, the Club de Recreio beat South China A.A. by 5½-3½. Scores:

A. V. Remedios and A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio) drew with C. K. Chen and B. Szeto 6-6
drew with Tennis Kwok and K. F. Lim 6-6
beat H. Chan and F. N. Wong 6-1

A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (Recreio) drew with Chen and Szeto 6-6
lost to Kwok and Lim 3-6
beat Chan and Wong 6-1

H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto (Recreio) lost to Chen and Szeto 3-6
beat Kwok and Lim 6-4
beat Chan and Wong 6-3

H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Garrard (H.K.C.C.) lost to Fincher and Burnett 3-6
beat Guest and Crawford 6-1
beat Gray and Grose 6-1



Mr. Fred Pearce, official instructor at the Marine Spa Baths, Torquay, has devised a system of teaching swimming by using a raft, shown in this picture. This system has been approved by the Torquay Education Committee for teaching school children. (Copyright, Fox).

R.H.K.G.C. RESULTS

The following were the week-end golf results:—

Golden Jubilee Competition (at Fanling)

Major A. S. Johnstone (7), J. P. Tamworth (8) and H. Harrison (15) all tied at 2 up and will therefore have to play off.

Golden Jubilee Competition (at Happy Valley)

1, H. Smith (10) 4 up; 2, W. Woodward (12) 1 down.
Stableford Competition (at Fanling)
1, T. F. R. Waters and W. M. A. Smalley 25+13=38 tie and divide.
H. Harrison 28+13=41 and Major Johnstone 34+6=40 won prizes on the same cards in the Jubilee competitions.
Adamson Cup. (May qualifying competition at Happy Valley.
H. Smith (10) 76-10=65.

GOLF

Padgham's Easy Win; R. Burton Retires

London, April 23. — A. H. Padgham (Sundridge Park) and R. Burton (Sale) replayed, over thirty-six holes, for first prize in the Silver King tournament at Moor Park yesterday, and Padgham, who won the event three years ago, gained a commanding lead on the first round by returning a score of 74 against his opponent's 81.

The players had to contend with a very high wind, in which Padgham proved to be the complete master. The strong gusts often blew the balls off the green and made the approach work difficult to judge.

Burton was soon in trouble in the gale and hooked his tee shots. He dropped three shots at the fourth, hooking out of bounds and being bunkered off his next shot. His two yards' putt for a 7 just went in. With a following wind at the next four holes some tremendous distances were covered by the drives. At the seventh (363

yards) both were within thirty yards of the green from the tee. Padgham, with a tree right in his line, played short and managed to match Burton's 4. At the ninth both players pitched very short, as though afraid of the wind, which, however, blew both balls off the green. Padgham chipped back dead to get his 4 to lead by six strokes. Padgham increased his lead at the eleventh, where Burton cut his drive. Burton became eight strokes down at the short twelfth, pulling his tee-shot into a bunker, but he regained a shot when Padgham pulled his drive to the fourteenth. Burton won the seventeenth. Here Burton was only a few feet from the green with a tremendous down-wind drive of 380 yards. He ran the ball up dead and secured a fine 3.

Padgham holed out from ten feet for his three to halves the home hole and finish the round seven shots ahead. The first-round figures were:—

Padgham.—Out: 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 4 equals 38; Home: 4, 4, 3, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 3 equals 36. Total, 74.

Burton.—Out: 6, 5, 3, 7, 4, 5, 4, 5, 5, equals 44; Home: 4, 5, 4, 4, 5, 5, 3, 3, equals 37. Total, 81.

The Second Round

Burton cut his second shot and missed a seven-foot putt to fall further behind at the second hole in the second round, and the margin was increased to nine when Padgham holed from fifteen yards, for 2, at the short third. The 4th, Burton's disastrous hole in the morning, proved difficult for Padgham in the afternoon, for he hooked into a ditch, took two shots to recover, and, holing out in 6, lost two strokes of his lead. Burton got back another stroke at the eighth, his opponent being short all the way, but Padgham holed from ten yards for 3 at the next to level matters, both men being out in 37.

Padgham became nine shots ahead at the thirteenth, where Burton was in all kinds of trouble and took a 7 against a 5. At the next two holes each had five, and after that Burton walked across the green to Padgham and shook him by the hand in recognition of defeat.

This is not the first time that a player had retired in a major professional event. In 1911 A. Massey gave up at the thirty-fifth hole against H. Vardon, in the replay for the Open Championship at Royal St. George's.

SUNDAY HERALD CUP ALLOCATIONS

The allocation from the funds of the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup Competition account for this season is as follows:—

Society of St. Vincent de Paul	\$800.00
Industrial Home for Blind Girls	200.00
Sailors' Home and Mission to Seamen	250.00
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Little Sisters of the Poor—Home for Aged	400.00
Hong Kong Benevolent Society	800.00
Canossian Institute for Blind	300.00
Society for Protection of Children	750.00
Children's Playground Association	400.00
Cheera Club	300.00
Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood	250.00
Sails' and Soldiers' Home	400.00
Salvation Army	500.00
The Sheklung Leprosy Committee	150.00
South China Athletic Free Schools	300.00
Chinese Seamen's Mission	100.00
St. Louis Industrial School	200.00
Hong Kong Branch of the National Association for the care of war orphans	400.00
Queen Mary Hospital Xmas tree fund	50.00
Dependents of Shiu Chak Wing deceased	200.00
Boys' and Girls' Club Association	250.00
Garrison Ladies' Help Society	200.00
Total	\$7,700.00

The only time the English Cup has been out of the country was when Cardiff City defeated the Arsenal by 1-0 in the 1927 final. The scorer for the Welsh club was a Scotsman, the late Hugh Ferguson, who made his name with Motherwell.

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"Paint-Pot" Thomas Hits First Homer Of Season

Dave Walker's Great Display For Hong Kong B.C.

C.C. LEE PITCHES GREAT GAME FOR SOUTH CHINA

(By "GRAND STAND")

Despite losing to Chinese Baseball Club, 8-6, last Saturday afternoon, the Hong Kong Baseball Club contingent gave a better performance than was predicted by the dopesters.

They were not expected to furnish much opposition for the stronger entrants and what a fallacy that line of reasoning has been! The good behaviour of 'Larry' Lawrence on the mound for the Molthenmen was responsible for keeping down the score against last year's champs.

If 'Larry' had better support afield, and his teammates had better luck with the stick, the game would have been a good cause for a big celebration in the Hong Kong Baseball Club camp as the Molthenmen have not won a game since two seasons ago!

Lawrence, who has not pitched since 1935, only allowed the Chinese heavy sluggers six scattered hits and four free rides to first.

Earl Wong started on the mound for Chinese Baseball Club but was way off form and was yanked out in the third canto after he allowed six Clubbers to cross the plate on two hits, five walks and four Chinese errors.

Wally Ching came to the rescue in the third stanza and held the Molthenmen to no hit, no run for the remaining five innings with his haphazard offerings.

The Chung Hwa lads played just as loosely as they did against Mindanao the previous week and were very fortunate indeed to take H.K.B.C. to town.

For individual performance, Sammy Izatt, at the hot corner, and Dave Baulista, at shortstop, looked like a million bucks on their side of the infield, while mentor Doc Molthen and Bill 'Scoop' Smith looked like two white chips in a poker game on their side of the diamond!

Doc made two bad errors at the initial sack but his three bagger in the opening canto almost offset these two bobbles.

Bill Smith made a terrible miscue in the fourth inning when he let a slow grounder, off Richard Chung's bat, go past between his size 10D spikes!

Even Bill's smart work in putting out Wally Ching on a hidden ball at the keystone bag was not good enough to redeem two fielding errors.

Too Slow

Higgins, Stan McNider and Oliver were all too slow and were not too sure of themselves in the outfield. They will learn as "time marches on".

Dave Walker, behind the bat for Hong Kong Baseball Club, played just about the best game I have ever seen him play. His throwing to second was by no means perfect but his defensive work at the plate was superb.

For C.B.C. Rookie Denham Cray was in the limelight at right field where he squeezed two difficult flies, and belted a double bagger in the second frame.

Nip Lum played a great game behind the plate and hammered the longest hit for his gang, when, in the first inning, he smacked a beautiful three bagger to third base line.

In the first game of a double header on Sunday, Chester Bennett's Union Brewers won their second successive game in the local League when they

whipped the U.S.S. Mindanao team 9 to 4 in a drawn-out affair which lasted over two hours.

Injuries

"Crooner" Ruel made a good start on the hill for the American Sailors but in the third inning he complained of a sore arm and was relieved by Charlie Horton.

In this inning, Douglas, the Mindanao star first sacker, also left the game with a bad hand and the Mindanao team was badly disorganized at this stage of the encounter.

The game was scoreless for two full innings.

In the third frame Mindanao broke the ice when Terry got on first on a single and "Paint Pot" Thomas clouted a magnificent homer which cleared the right field bank to score Terry ahead of him.

"Paint Pot" Thomas has the distinction of knocking the first homer this season. In the last inning, Thomas belted another homer to the same place with Terry again on board.

Madeen Arculli was again the most valuable player in the U.B. clan. He pitched great ball all the way, striking out six and issuing no free tickets to first. His bat work accounted for a Ruthian clout, a three bagger and a single.

Star first sacker Terry Leonard of the Brewers established a new record by being struck out four times in as many times to bat!

Souza, the U.B. keystone keeper, was hot stuff on the field and has the making of a real ball player.

Dave Leonard, the dependable windy alley custodian, was very erratic with his throws and made two wild throws which cost his team two runs.

A. R. Abbas did very well catching flies at centre field.

For Mindanao, "P. K." Wrigley shone very brightly, freezing flies in the outfield, while Dew, at shortstop, and later at first base, was very dependable on the field and at bat.

The Night-Cap

In the nightcap of Sunday's double-header, South China Athletic Association made their debut by trouncing the rambling Recs 7-5.

Baseball Oldtimer C. C. Lee pitched a brilliant game for South China. His slow twisters and curves had the Recs' baseball bruisers popping most of the time for easy put-outs.

It was unfortunate that Johnny Alvares started on the mound for Recreio because he was erratic and cost his team the game.

After Alvares allowed seven enemy

WEEK-END BASEBALL RESULTS

C.B.C.	8	H.K.B.C.	6
U.B.	9	Mindanao ...	4
South China..	7	Recreio	5

CYCLE CLUB'S WEEK-END ACTIVITIES

Saturday's run to Clear Water Bay was delightful though the route is one of the Colony's hilliest. The party reached Hayeung at 3 p.m., and returned there at 5.45 p.m., following negotiation of the rock-strewn road beyond and a spell of bathing. The spin was brought to a close at 6.40 p.m.

On Sunday, the Club had a day completely free from racing interests owing to withdrawal of O'Doherty's scheduled attempt on the 40 miles Class "A" figures. The venue was Lokmachau for which place the Club left Kowloon at 9.15 a.m. via Sanhue and Unlong. Following refreshments at the former village, the party split up, part returning direct to Kowloon, and the remainder continuing to the Shumchun River at Lokmachau, which they reached at 1 p.m. The return trip was made over the same route, the party again halting at Sanhue.

During training on Friday a member of the Club succeeded in covering the difficult Island Circuit inside the Class "D" standard of 1 1/4 hours in spite of delays caused by punctures. Fourteen miles were covered in 57 mins., this including Lyemun Hill and the City roads, before any trouble was experienced.

The current week's programme includes runs to Shek O on Wednesday (meet at Methodist Church, Hennessy Road, Wanchai at 6 p.m.) and Tailamchung on Saturday (Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, 2 p.m.), whilst Sunday's outing will be in the nature of a Clue Hunt, commencing from the Kowloon rendezvous at 9.30 a.m. Non-members are extended a cordial welcome.

runs to cross the plate on six safeties, "Spotty" Pereira took over the assignment on the slab and held the opposition to two hits and no runs in five innings, but it was too late to take the game out of the fire.

The Portuguese lads played heads-up baseball with only one miscue by Nick Beltrao, who muffed a foul fly.

The South China line-up included two Interport football players in Pau Kaping, who covered the windy alley territory very ably, clouted two safeties and stole two bases, while Fung King-cheung, another football interporter, played a very creditable game at left field, where he made some spectacular catches. He also belted two safe bingles.

Hong Sling also played a good game at second base for South China and was instrumental in a double play to put-out Marques on a fly and catch Tony Alves flat-footed at first.

"Spotty" Pereira and Johnny Alvares took batting honours of the fracas. "Spotty" hit a three bagger, a double and a single while Johnny swatted a triple and a one base hit.

Tony Alves played like a veteran at shortstop for Recreio.

ARMY CRICKET

ENGINEERS' NARROW 1ST INNS. LEAD

Honours were very even as the result of the first day's play in the Large Units' cricket final which commenced yesterday at Sookun-poo between Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery.

The Engineers, thanks chiefly to the fine efforts of Q.M.S. Buckle, Sgt. Carpenter and L/Sgt. Land, secured a scanty lead of two runs on the first innings.

Land batted aggressively for his runs, scored mostly as the result of fierce square-cutting and driving. He found the boundary on 10 occasions.

On the other hand, Buckle and Carpenter were subdued and only hit one four each.

Barsby and Ward bowled steadily for the Gunners and shared six wickets.

Losing five wickets for 57 runs, Artillery were in a bad position but a useful stand between Lt. Skipworth and Bdr. Chaplain, saw the score raised to 102. A couple of further double-figure scores and a valuable contribution from extras and the total was taken to within two runs of the Sappers' total.

Cork and Denyer were the most successful bowlers.

The scores were:

ROYAL ENGINEERS

Q.M.S. Goodger, c Hodgson, b Ward	2
M.Q.S. Buckle, b Barsby	33
Q.M.S. Batlett, b Ward	1
Sgt. Carpenter, lbw, Hodgson	27
L/Sgt. Land, b Hook	60
Cpl. Denyer, c Carter, b Hook	8
Spr. Ratcliffe, c Hawkin, b Ward	8
Spr. Bailey, run out	3
Spr. Shaw, c Carter, b Barsby	0
Spr. Cook, not out	1
Spr. Heath, c Hook, b Ward	6
Extras	12

Total 161

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barsby	15	2	64	3
Marshall	4	0	12	0
Ward	11	1	30	3
Hook	6	1	21	2
Hodgson	6	1	17	1
Skipworth	1	0	5	0

ROYAL ARTILLERY

Lt. Ingram, c Heath, b Goodger	19
Lt. Hook, lbw, Cork	3
Gnr. Hodgson, b Denyer	6
Q.M.S. Flinters, b Cork	11
Bdr. Carter, b Land	6
Lt. Skipworth, c Buckle, b Cork	41
Bdr. Chaplain, b Denyer	18
Gnr. Marshall, c Denyer, b Goodger	13
Gnr. Dobinson, run out	4
Gnr. Barsby, not out	13
Gnr. Ward, c Heath, b Denyer	2
Extras	23

Total 159

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cork	9	0	37	3
Goodger	8	0	29	2
Shaw	2	0	2	0
Denyer	14.2	4	43	3
Land	4	1	22	1
Ratcliffe	1	0	3	0

Miss Si Kui Ma In Studio Piano Recital

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Liszt including his Rhapsody No. 2. Phil-Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2. Phil-Hungarian Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski. Concert Study In D Flat Major. Egon Petri (Piano). Consolation (No. 3). Natan Milstein (Violin) with Leopold Mittmann at the Piano. "Mefisto" Waltz No. 1. Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Ballads. Soul of Mine (Barnes); Bless This House (Brahe). Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Organ. Tramping Through The Countryside (Allison); The Drums Are On Parade (Neville). Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.

1.15 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Dance Music. Slow Fox-Trot—I Nearly Let Love Go Slipping Through My Fingers; Fox-Trot—Got To Dance My Way To Heaven. Billy Cotton & His Band. Fox-Trot—Oh! You Sweet Thing. Harry Roy & His Orchestra.

To-day's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M. (9.52 megacycles)

1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. Speaker: Rotarian Sir Henry Pollock. Subject: "More Legal Anecdotes." 2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. (a) When my Dream Boat comes in; (b) Darktown Strutters Ball; (c) I'll Dream To-night; (d) Sheik of Araby.

6.14 p.m.—Record: Piano-Time Melodies. Intro: China Boy; You're in Kentucky Sure as You're Born; Sheik of Araby; Japanese Sandman; Bye Bye Blues; Who's Sorry Now. Piano Duet by Baldwin and Howard. With String Bass and Drums.

6.21 p.m.—(a) Sixty Seconds Got Together; (b) Waltz Medley Part 1; (c) Waltz Medley Part 2; (d) Some of these days.

6.35 p.m.—Records: I Wait For You (film "Evensong"—Spoliansky) Mischa Spoliansky (Piano). A Bouquet For Cole Porter. Intro: What is this thing called love?; Night and Day; I'm in Love Again; You've Got That Thing; Let's Do It; Love for Sale. Arthur Young (Piano) and the Youngsters. With Vocal Chorus.

6.45 p.m.—London Relay—Scenes from The Tragedies of William Shakespeare. John Gielgud in "Hamlet".

Characters: Claudius, King of Denmark; Rosencrantz, Guildenstern, Courtiers; Gertrude, Queen of Denmark, and mother of Hamlet; Polonius, Lord Chamberlain; Ophelia, daughter of Polonius; Hamlet, son of the late, and nephew to the present King; Horatio, friend of Hamlet; Laertes, son of Polonius; Fortinbras, prince of Norway; Players, Lords and Ladies, Ghost of Hamlet's Father.

Scene: Denmark.

Production by John Richmond.

7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.32 p.m.—Percy Heming (Baritone) in a Light Orchestral Programme.

Serenade (For Frederick Delius on his Sixtieth Birthday—Warlock) The Constant Lambert String Orchestra cond. by Constant Lambert.

Fairings; Come To The Fair ("Songs of the Fair"—Easthope Martin); Jock The Fiddler; The Ballad-Monger ("Songs of the Fair"—Easthope Martin). Percy Heming (Baritone) with Orchestra.

Down The Mall (Belton). Philip Green & His Orchestra.

Joggin' Along The Highway (Samuel); The Devout Lover (White). Percy Heming (Baritone) with Piano.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—New Dance Music.

Waltzes—Wooden Shoes (film "Sweethearts"); Sweethearts (from the film). Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

Fox-Trots—Tell Me With Your Kisses; Love Doesn't Grow On Trees (film "A Song is Born"). Gene Krupa & His Orchestra.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Cricket—M.C.C. v. West Indies. A commentary during the third day's play by Howard Marshall from Lord's Cricket Ground, London.

8.30 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Miss Si Kui Ma.

1. Prelude in B Flat Minor (Bach). 2. Adagio from Sonata in D Minor (Beethoven).

3. Variations, Op. 12, on a French Air (Chopin).

8.50 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Symphony No. 4 ("Italian") In A Major. Sir Hamilton Harty conducting The Halle Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Food for Thought". Short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—Mozart's "The Magic Flute" Act II. Singers in order of appearance: Strienz; Fabbry; Grossmann; Scheppan; Marherr; Berglund; Husch; Roswaenge; Teasmer; Berger; Beilke; Spletter; Lemnitz; and Chorus with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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♦ 9 7 4
♣ A 9 7 2
N
W
E
S
K Q J 10
K 10 8 3
K 5
K Q 9 8 5
♥ 8 7 3
♦ 8 2
♣ J 10 4

The bidding:
North East South West
10 1♥ 1♠ 2♥
3♠ Pass Pass 4♥
4♠ Pass Pass Pass

One of the things that distinguishes a fine player is his ability to figure out the one best chance to set a contract. Credit for to-day's hand goes to George Sylvester, New York attorney, who after pushing his opponents to four spades, conceived an effective defence, Mr. Sylvester opened the Ace of Hearts, then gave some thought to the situation. Three more tricks were needed to defeat the contract, and dummy's holding revealed that they could probably be won only in the club suit. In order for this to occur, East, Mr. Sylvester's partner, would have to hold exactly two clubs to the King.

Having figured out the only pos-

sibility, Mr. Sylvester hesitated no longer. He underled the Ace of clubs. His partner won with the King, returned the suit and then ruffed the third round for the setting trick.

You were Oswald Jacoby's partner yesterday and held:

♠ A K x
♥ Q 10 x x x
♦ 10 x x
♣ K x

The bidding:
Maier Jacoby Burnstine
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass
(?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is two hearts. Here you should rebid your rather weak five-card suit. Your only other possible bid—two notrump—is a strong rebid and your hand is about a King under the requirements.

Score 100% for two hearts, 60% for two notrump, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 100

Merwin Maier is your partner and you hold:

♠ A K Q 10
♥ A x x
♦ x x x
♣ x x x

The bidding:
Schenken Maier Burnstine
Pass 1♠ Pass 2♣
Pass (7)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE STAR—"52nd Street." New York's famous night club sector provides the inspiration for this film musicale. The cast includes Ian Hunter, Leo Carrillo, Pat Paterson, Ella Logan, Sid Silvers, Zasu Pitts and Maria Shelton.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Spring Madness", with Maureen O'Sullivan and Lew Ayres in the leading roles, offers a new and sophisticated slant on the contemporary American college scene. The picture presents the problem of a boy and girl on the threshold of stepping from the campus into a broader world and faced with the difficulties of marriage on a small income.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Algiers", with Charles Boyer, Sigrid Gurie, Hedy Lamarr, Joseph Calleia, Alan Hale, Gene Lockhart and Nina Koshetz. The setting of this picture is in the native quarter of Algiers, a refuge for criminals from all parts of Europe. The story is of the adventures of a devil may care international jewel thief (Charles Boyer) for whose love glamorous Sigrid Gurie and alluring Hedy Lamarr are rivals.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"The story of Irene and Vernon Castle", with Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire. The like story and career of the Castles, the greatest dancing pair, during the years immediately preceding and following the war.

AT THE CATHAY—"Empress Wu Chieh-tien". Lavish and spectacular presentation of a thrilling episode in ancient Chinese history. Directed by the man who made "Sable Cicada," which is even now enjoying a New York run, "Empress Wu" is the high-water mark of Chinese film production. Mandarin dialect, but with English subtitles.

AT THE KING'S—"Prison Without Bars", with Corinne Luchaire, and Edna Best. Besides the brilliant young French discovery, Corinne Luchaire, there are several talented newcomers to the screen, who will be seen in the new London Film, "Prison Without Bars," which is an extremely original story about hundreds of girls serving sentences in a French Reformatory.



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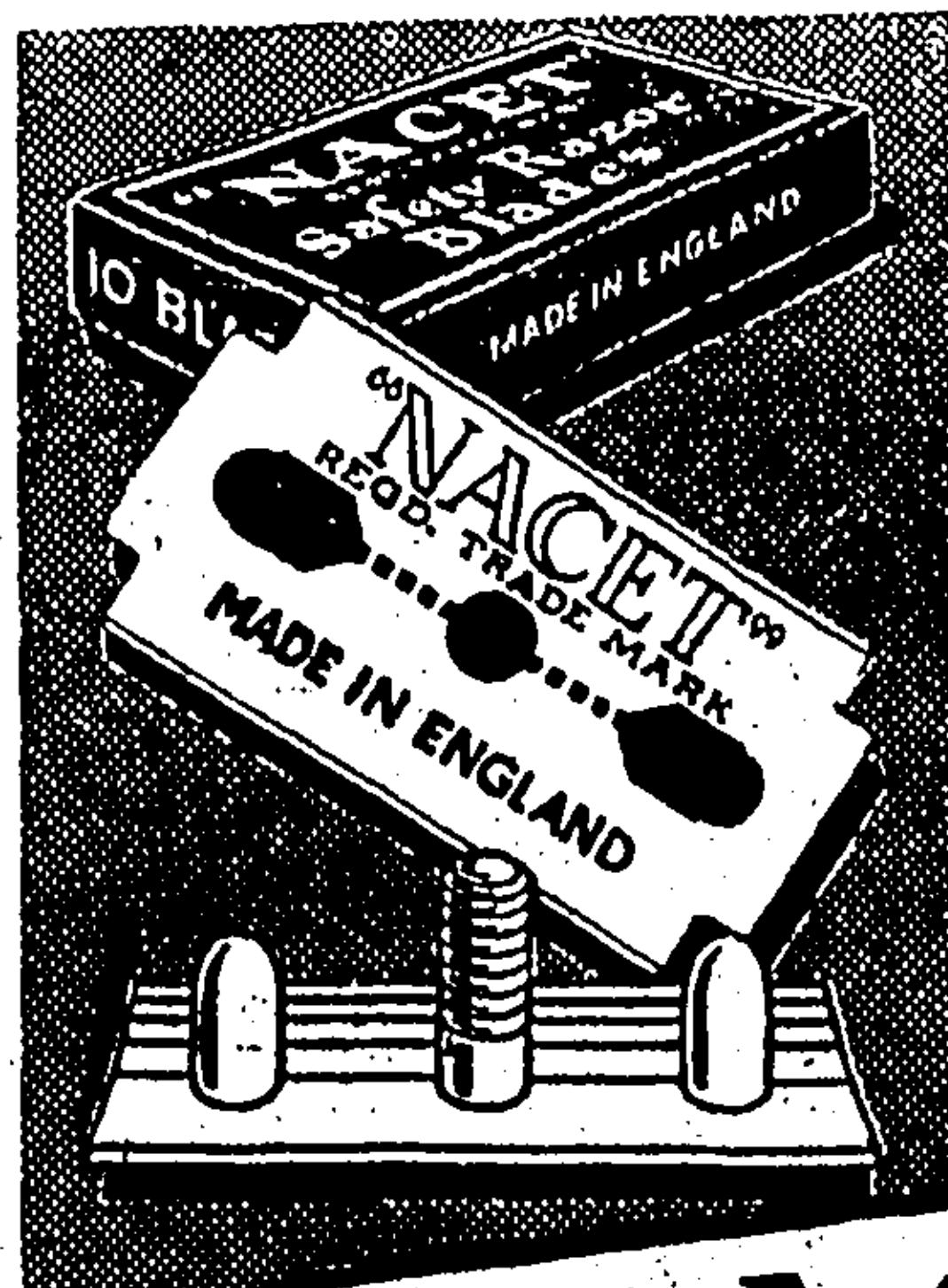
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Saarbruecken, To-day.

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General von Brauchitsch is making a tour of the western fortifications.

He referred to Hitler's pronouncement that the German western defences were the most reliable guarantor of German freedom, and added:

"The Army represents not only an impregnable wall of steel and iron but also an indestructible bulwark stout, trustworthy and loyal soldiers."

General von Brauchitsch made important declarations when comparing France's Maginot Line and Germany's western defences. — Trans-Ocean.

MR. BUTLER AGAIN KNOWS NOTHING

London, To-day.

The Government has no information of further Italian reinforcements having landed in Spain, declared Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler added that a number of Italian troops had been repatriated, though it was impossible to give the figures. — Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET REPLY REASONED REFUSAL

London, To-day.

The "Evening Standard" says that the Soviet reply to Britain can be described as "a reasoned refusal to accept the British plan."

The paper adds, however, that it does not close the door to further talks. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW STANDSTILL AGREEMENT

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